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THE PROCESS of accommodating conflicting views on particular issues is characteristically democratic. It roots from the conviction that in the give-and-take of discussion among independent men where viewpoints must be urged and defended on the basis of reason, the net result will be adjustment, reasonableness, consideration of others' viewpoints than one's own, the elimination of personal bias or personal ambition—a weighing and sifting and adjustment from which emerges a decision and action.”

Indian Career Women of Mackinac

Katherine Kenney Doyle, *Psi*

HELLO Miss Theta! Are you looking forward to spending your Fourth of July holiday at Mackinac, away from your office or studio? Or, are you leaving college for a final fling with your friends at convention, anticipating your career which starts in the fall? Whichever it is, Miss Theta, you really ought to know some of the business and professional women of Mackinac.

May I present Mrs Jameson, of Toronto, noted author of *Sketches in Canada* and *Rambles among the red men*, who will describe Mackinac as she saw it in 1837, the year Michigan was admitted to the Union. She will tell you of:

I. THE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

"There a scene burst at once on my enchanted gaze, such as I never had imagined, such as I wish I could place before you in words—but I despair, unless words were of light, and lustrous hues, and breathing music. . . . We were lying in a tiny bay, crescent-shaped, of which the two horns or extremities were formed by long narrow promontories projecting into the lake. On the east the whole sky was flushed with a deep amber glow, fleckered with softest shades of rose-colour—the same intense splendour being reflected in the lake; and upon the extremity of the point, between the glory above and the glory below, stood the little Mission church, its light spire and belfry defined against the sky. On the opposite side of the heavens hung the moon, waxing paler and paler, and melting away, as it seemed, before the splendour of the rising day. Immediately in front rose the abrupt and picturesque heights of the Island, robed in richest foliage, and crowned by the

lines of the little fortress, snow-white, and gleaming in the morning light. At the base of these cliffs, all along the shore, immediately on the edge of the lake, which, transparent and unruffled, reflected every form as in a mirror, an encampment of Indian lodges extended as far as my eye could reach on either side. Even while I looked, the inmates were beginning to bestir themselves, and dusky figures were seen emerging into sight from their picturesque dormitories, and stood gazing on us with folded arms, or were busied about their canoes, of which some hundreds lay along the beach. . . .

"About ten o'clock I ventured to call on Mr Schoolcraft, and was received by him with grave and quiet politeness. . . . I was charmed with Mrs Schoolcraft. She received me with true lady-like simplicity. Her features were decidedly Indian. . . . Her accent was slightly foreign, though her choice of language was pure and remarkably elegant, as you would expect since she was sent back to her father's people to be educated in Europe. Her mother, you know, was a pure blooded Indian.

"The most delightful as well as most profitable hours I spent on Mackinac were those passed in the society of Mrs Schoolcraft. While in conversation with her, new ideas of the Indian character suggested themselves, new sources of information were opened to me, such as are granted to few. She was proud of her Indian origin. . . . But there was a melancholy and pity in her voice, when speaking of them, as if she did indeed consider them a doomed race!"

Her husband, Henry R. Schoolcraft, a world famous authority on the Indian tribes of the Northwest, was a geologist, a graduate of



OLD MISSION CHURCH

Middlebury college, a member of a number of scientific expeditions.

In 1820 Schoolcraft was appointed Indian agent at Sault Ste. Marie where he was married in 1823, and transferred later to Mackinac, their home for eight years. His great work was undertaken in 1847, by authority of Congress, when he began collecting and editing information about the Indians of North America.

Mrs Schoolcraft was a granddaughter of the famous Chippewa chieftain, Waub-Ojeeg, whose renown dates particularly from the last of seven campaigns he waged against the Sioux. By his victory at the Falls of St. Croix, the Chippewa feud with the Foxes was ended, the Foxes fleeing down the Wisconsin. As humane as he was brave, he grieved over his fallen companions, and wrote a mournful war song preserved by his son-in-law, John Johnston of the Soo. Waub-Ojeeg was the greatest poet and story-teller, as well as the greatest warrior of his tribe. His daughter, O, Shah,

Gush, Ko, Do, Na, Qua (later Mrs Johnston) also became celebrated for her stock of traditional lore, and the inventive and poetical faculties inherited from her father. This poetical gift was passed on to Jane Johnston Schoolcraft, whose husband translated from her native Chippewa tongue this poem, written on parting from their two children who were left in school at Philadelphia and Princeton. I give you the second and third stanzas.

"Fair land of the lakes! thou art blest to my sight,
With thy beaming bright waters, and landscapes of light;
The breeze and the murmur, the dash and the roar,
That autumn and summer cast over the shore,
They spring to my thoughts like the lullaby tongue
That soothed me to slumber when youthful and young.

"One feeling more strongly still binds me to thee,
There roved my forefathers, in liberty free—
There shook they the war lance, and sported the plume,
'Ere Europe had cast o'er this country a gloom,
Nor thought they that kingdoms more happy could be,
While lords of a land so resplendent and free."

Mrs Schoolcraft was of inestimable value to her husband in collecting Indian stories and traditions, and in translating her native tongue. But let Mrs Jameson continue:

"The Indians had no idea of correcting or restraining their children; personal chastisement was unheard of. They say that before a child has any understanding there is no use in correcting it; and when old enough to understand, no one has a right to correct it. Thus the fixed inherent sentiment of personal independence grows up with the Indians from earliest infancy. The will of an Indian child is not forced; he has nothing to learn but what he sees done around him, and he learns by imitation. I hear no scolding, no tones of command or reproof; but I see no evil results from this mild system, for the general reverence and affection of children for parents is delightful; where there is no obedience exacted, there can be no rebellion, they dream not of either, and all live in peace in the same lodge."

And now the story of the courtship and marriage of Mrs Schoolcraft's Indian mother and Irish father:

"John Johnston, of a good Irish family, came to Canada with such strong letters of recommendation to Lord Dorchester, that he was invited to reside in the government house till a vacancy occurred in his favour in one of the official departments; meantime, being of an active and adventurous turn, he joined a party of traders going up the lakes, merely as an excursion, but became so enamoured of that wild life, as to adopt it in earnest. On one of his expeditions, when encamped at Che, goi, me, gon (La Pointe of Lake Superior) and trafficking with Waub-Ojeeg, he saw the eldest daughter of the chief, and 'No sooner looked than he sighed, no sooner sighed than he asked himself the reason' and

ended by asking his friend to give him his beautiful daughter. 'White man' said the chief with dignity, 'your customs are not our customs! You white men desire our women, you marry them, and when they cease to please your eye, you say they are *not* your wives, and you forsake them. Return, young friend, with your load of skins to Montreal, and if there the women of the pale faces do not put my child out of your mind, return hither in the spring and we will talk farther; she is young, and can wait.'

"Impatient, impetuous, he tried arguments, presents, all in vain; he returned from Montreal the following spring. Waub-Ojeeg made Mr Johnston swear he would take his daughter as his wife according to the law of the white man, till death. . . .

"During the usual preparatory period of fasting and isolation O, Shah, Ko, Da, Na, Qua dreamed she saw the earth on fire. She exclaimed, 'All my relations will be burned!' But a spirit voice answered, 'No they will not be destroyed, they will be saved.'

"For ten days after the wedding ceremonies Mr Johnston sought to overcome her fear and gain her affection, and it was touching to see how tenderly and gratefully this was remembered by his wife after a lapse of thirty-six years. She ran away after the tenth day, and after fasting four days in the woods she reached her grandfather's wigwam. Waub-Ojeeg, afar off in his hunting camp, *dreamed* that his daughter had not conducted herself according to his advice, and returned two days journey to see after her, finding all things *according to his dream*, he gave her a good beating with a stick, and threatened to cut off both her ears. He then took her back to her husband, with a propitiatory present of furs and Indian corn, and many apologies and exculpations of his own honour."

Four sons and four daughters were born to them; "They lived most happily together thereafter. Mrs Johnston showed me a picture of her husband which he brought to her from Montreal; the features were very gentleman-like. He was described to me by some of my Canadian friends, who knew him well, as a very clever, lively and eccentric man, and a little of the bon vivant. Owing to his independent fortune, his talents, his long acquaintance with the country, and connexion by



BIDDLE HOUSE—OLDEST HOUSE ON THE ISLAND

marriage with the native blood he had much influence in the country."

Here's a little chuckle from Margaret Fuller recalling her visit in 1843, afterwards described in *Summer on the lakes*.

"It was the last week in August, when a large representation from the Chippewa and Ottawa tribes were here to receive their annual payments from the American government. As their habits made traveling easy and inexpensive to them, neither being obliged to wait for steamboats, or write to see whether hotels are full, they come hither by thousands, and those thousands in families, secure of accommodation on the beach, and food from the lake, to make a long holiday out of the occasion."

And now a word from Mrs Steele, in a *Summer journey in the west*, in 1840. "The grace and beauty of Mrs Schoolcraft made a great impression upon us. To me she was peculiarly interesting from the fact of her being descended from the native lords of the forest. . . . From the accent, the deep brunette

of her smooth skin, and her dark hair and eyes, I should have taken her for a Spanish lady. . . ."

Some of Elizabeth Therese Baird's reminiscences written for the Wisconsin historical collections.

II. BUSINESS AND SOCIETY WOMAN

"The people (of Mackinac) were mostly French; although small, the society was aristocratic in tendency. The fort was garrisoned by American officers, some of whom had French wives. One interesting and wealthy family was that of Dr David Mitchell, surgeon at the Fort with the British army, whose wife was a woman of the Ottawa tribe. The daughters at the time now mentioned had returned from Europe, where they had received the education which at that time was given young ladies. The sons were sent to Montreal for their education. This family were, of course, all British subjects. When the Island was ceded to the U. S. Dr Mitchell

would not remain there but followed the troops to Drummond Island. His wife retained her old home at Mackinac, with the daughters and two sons. Mrs Mitchell and her sons continued in the fur trade and added much to an already large fortune, for the trade made all rich. The mother and daughters would, in turn, visit Dr Mitchell during the summer, but would not take the risk of a winter's visit. Two of the sons, however, remained with their father."

Even yet you will hear natives speak of the Mitchell home. Photographs prove it to have been similar to the old Biddle house, still standing near the Astor house. Island devotees dream of a benefactor who will restore this historic Biddle home before it is too late; they even dream of a Williamsburg restoration for the whole street, including the Astor house, and the Early house at the end, where the shooting of Alexis St. Martin occurred.

Miss Donnelly, who entertains guests during the summer in her unique, and beautifully furnished home nearby, "The Cloghaum," has a word to add "My oldest sister remembered the Biddle home as it was in her childhood. There were four four-poster beds—one in each corner—of the front room downstairs on the side toward the Fort, to provide for overnight guests. All the floors were scrubbed white, as was the custom of French housewives." You can judge the beauty of such floors from one of Miss Donnelly's bedrooms, so finished, and furnished with antiques.

Mrs Baird will describe the Mitchell home as she recalls it: "It was the largest dwelling house ever erected on the Island. It was two stories high, with a high attic, this having dormer windows. The grounds surrounding it were considered large, running through from one street to another.

"The three daughters were handsome, attractive and entertaining ladies. Winter being long and dull, these young ladies would invite a lady friend or two to spend it with them. In the winter of 1808-9 Miss Marianne Lasaliere, (my mother) visited them. The July following, one of the daughters was married and went to Europe to make her home there. My mother was also married in the same month, and she went to make her home at Prairie du Chien. The two young ladies re-

maining now felt more lonely than ever, and desired greatly the presence of some of their young lady friends to shorten the otherwise dreary winter days. In the winter of 1816-17, Miss Josette Laframboise visited them, and it was on this visit that she made the acquaintance of Capt. Benjamin K. Pierce, commander of Fort Mackinac, whom she afterwards married.

Besides the large farm which Mrs Mitchell owned and cultivated "there was her garden, which lay between the bluff or hill, and the lake; on one side lay the government garden" (which Dr Beaumont succeeded in preserving for the Fort, instead of its being turned over to the Indian agent, Mr Boyd). "It was a large plot, two or three acres in extent, and was entirely enclosed by cedar pickets five feet high, whitewashed, as were all enclosures at Mackinac. . . . It was an every day occurrence to see Mrs Mitchell coming to inspect her garden, riding in her calash, a two wheeled vehicle, being her own driver.

"Her speech was peculiar. English she could not speak at all, but she would mix the French with her own language, which was neither Ottawa nor Chippewa. There were not many who could understand her; there was, however, one old man who had lived for a great many years with the family, who was a natural interpreter and seemed perfectly to comprehend her. And yet, she got along admirably in company. She had many signs that were expressive, and managed to make her wishes clear to the ladies. When her daughters were at home, her linguistic troubles vanished. She was quite large, tall and heavy. Her dress was as peculiar as her conversation. She always wore black—usually her dresses were of black silk, which were always made in the same manner. A full skirt was gathered and attached to a plain waist. There were two large pockets on the skirt, and she always stood with her hands in these. About her neck was a black neckerchief; on her head she wore a black beaver hat, with a modest plume at one side. There were ties, but nowhere else on the bonnet was ribbon used. This bonnet she wore day and night. I do not think she slept in it, but never did I know of any one who had ever seen her without it. She was an intelligent woman, with exceptional business faculties, although devoid of book-learning. Her skill

in reading character was considerable.

"She was fond of social gatherings, and attended all that were given. When there was no card-playing, she sat by and watched the dancing, and was always surrounded by a group of ladies and gentlemen. She must have been more attractive than my youthful eyes could perceive, for she received much attention. She kept many servants, who were in the charge of a housekeeper. It was said she knew not the use of a needle."

III. THE PEN-WOMAN

Elizabeth Therese Baird herself, author of these fascinating recollections of her childhood on Mackinac, is eligible for this classification, I think. Mrs Schoolcraft might also belong to this League, for we have some charming short stories translated by her from the Chippewa tongue which Mrs Jameson included in her book, entitled *The forsaken brother* and *The origin of the robin*.

But back to Mrs Baird. Shades of all the Kentucky child brides, the girl was married to a young lawyer of Green Bay, Henry S. Baird, at the age of 14! She was the daughter of an employé of Astor's American fur company in its palmy days after the war of 1812; her mother was the granddaughter of Kewinawat, a chief of the Ottawas, and so related to Madame Laframboise and her sister Madame Schindler. A woman of broad education, wide travel, many friends, an observing eye and retentive memory make her reminiscences of special interest to modern women. Her description of her grandmother's sugar-camp.

"A visit to the sugar-camp was a great treat to the young folks as well as to the old. In the days I wrote of, sugar was a scarce article, save in the Northwest, where maple-sugar was largely manufactured. All who were able, possessed a sugar-camp. My grandmother had one on Bois Blanc Island (Bob-Lo today—ed.) about five miles east of Mackinac. About the first of March, nearly half of the inhabitants of our town, as well as many from the garrison, would move to Bois Blanc to prepare for the work. Our camp was delightfully situated in the midst of a forest of maple, or a maple grove. A thousand or more trees claimed our care, and three men and two women were employed to do the work. . . .

"Frequently, each season, near the close of sugar-making, parties of ladies and gentlemen

would come over from Mackinac, bent on a merry time, which they never failed to secure.

"One time, a party of five ladies and five gentlemen were invited to the camp. Each lady brought a frying-pan in which to cook and turn "les crêpes" or pancakes, which was to be the special feature and fun of the occasion. All due preparation was made for using the frying-pan. We were notified that no girl was fitted to be married until she could turn a "crêpe." Naturally, all were desirous to try their skill in that direction whether matrimonially inclined or not. . . . It seemed indeed that the "crêpes" were influenced by the glee of the party; they turned and flew everywhere but where wanted. . . . One gentleman (Henry S. Baird) came up to Mrs John Dousman, and holding out his nice fur cap, said, "Now turn your cake, and I will catch it." Mrs Dousman was an adept at turning, and before the challenger had time to withdraw his cap, with a toss she deftly turned the cake and landed it fairly into the cap. You may imagine the sport all this afforded. In due time, a nice dinner was prepared. We had partridges roasted on sticks before the fire; rabbit and stuffed squirrel, cooked French fashion; and finally we had as many "crêpes," with syrup, as we desired."

Let Mrs Baird present:

IV. THE BUSINESS AND CHURCH WOMAN

Madame Laframboise, whose husband, "Joseph Laframboise, dealt largely with the Indians. He was a firm, determined man, and moreover was especially devout, adhering to all the rights and usages of the Catholic church. He was especially particular as to the observance of the Angelus. Out in the Indian country, timed by his watch, he was as faithful in this discharge of duty as elsewhere. . . . Madame Laframboise, his widow, maintained this custom as long as she lived, and it was very impressive. The moment the Angelus sounded, she would drop her work, make the sign of the cross, and with bowed head and crossed hands would say the short prayers, which did not last much longer than the solemn ringing of the bells.

"In 1809, Laframboise left Mackinac with his wife and baby-boy (the daughter Josette being at Montreal, at school) for his usual wintering-place on the upper part of the Grand River, in Michigan. They travelled in

Mackinaw boats, or bateaux. There were two boats, with a crew of six men to each. They were also accompanied by their servants—old Angelique, a slave, and her son Louison—all of whom made a large party.

"Well, to make a long story short, an Indian who had been refused whiskey, shot Laframboise in the back one night. After his wife had laid him away, she proceeded to her place of business, trading with the Indians until spring, when she returned to Mackinac and procured a license, and added much to her already large fortune.

"In the course of the winter the Indians brought the murderer to her to decide whether he should be shot or burned. Eloquently Madame Laframboise recalled her husband's piety, good deeds, and forgiving spirit, and set the man free.

"Each June Madame Laframboise would return to Mackinac with her furs. The servants whom she left in care of her home there, would have it in readiness upon her arrival, and here she would keep house for about three months and then go back to work.

"Madame Laframboise was a remarkable woman in many ways. As long as her father, Jean Baptiste Marcotte, lived, his children when old enough, were sent to Montreal to be educated. But she and her sister, Grandmother Schindler, did not share these advantages, they being the youngest of the family, and the father dying when Madame Laframboise was but three months old. Her mother was of chiefly blood, being the daughter of Ke-wi-na-quot (Returning Cloud), one of the most powerful chiefs of the Ottawa tribe.

"It's true, she had no book lore, but many might be proud of her attainments. She spoke French easily, having learned it from her husband. . . . Robert Stuart, a Scotchman, who was educated in Paris, used to say that her diction was as pure as that of a Parisian. She was a graceful and refined person, and remarkably entertaining. She always wore the full Indian costume, and there was at that time no better fur trader than she. She had both the love and respect of the Indians that her husband had had before her. She, indeed, had no fear of the Indians, no matter what their condition; she was always able to control them.

"Now to return to Josette Laframboise's marriage to Captain Benjamin K. Pierce, com-

mandant at Fort Mackinac (and brother of the President). This marriage took place at the home of a great friend of the young lady. An officer's widow, in writing her husband's military life, speaks of his being ordered to the command of Captain Pierce, at Fort Mackinac, in 1816, and says that the captain met there a half-breed girl whom he addressed and married. This 'half-breed' girl was a highly educated and cultivated woman. Her graceful demeanor was a charm. She was small in person, a clear brunette with black eyes and very black, wavy hair. She was both handsome and agreeable. What wonder was it, that a young man should be won by so winsome a maiden?

"In May 1817, Madame Laframboise arrived at Mackinac by bateau with her furs. She then hired a birch-bark canoe and Indian crew to take her to Montreal, where she went to place her boy in school. Her daughter was to be married that summer, but had to await her mother's return. As soon as the mother did return, the wedding took place. As Madame could not have time to open her house and make preparations at that late date, the home of Mrs Mitchell, previously mentioned, was insisted upon, by her whole family, as being the place for the wedding. The friendship between the families was sincere, and in this home, famed for its handsome weddings, another was added to the list. To this wedding, none but the officers and families of the garrison, and only two families of the town, were invited. The mother and aunt (Madame Schindler) were present in full Indian costume.

"After the marriage, the captain took his wife to the Fort, and Madame Laframboise departed to resume her winter's work. Mrs Pierce did not live long. She died in 1821, leaving two children. The son did not long survive his mother. Captain Pierce was ordered from Mackinac that winter. The following spring he came for his daughter, Harriet. From that date, Madame Laframboise closed her business with the American fur company, and remained at home. She at this time left her old house and went into that which Captain Pierce had, with her means, built for her." (It still stands, on the main street, next to St. Ann's church.)

"I have stated that Madame Laframboise was a remarkable woman. When she was between forty and fifty years of age, she taught

herself to read. It was no indifferent piece of work either, as she became able to read any French book she could obtain. She was a devoted Catholic, and worked for the church as long as she lived, greatly to the satisfaction of the poor, for whom she did much. It had been her practice to take girls, or any young woman who had had no opportunity to receive instruction in church matters, and have them taught by persons whom she herself hired. In this way she began to teach herself. It was not long before she could instruct children in their catechism. It was through her, mainly, that the priest was supported. Among her gifts to the church at Mackinac was the lot on which the church now stands, and she and her daughter lie buried beneath that edifice. . . ."

There were other marriages between the white men and women of Indian blood. "Edward Biddle, of an old and honoured Philadelphia family, brother of Nicholas Biddle (president of the United States bank during the administration of Andrew Jackson) and a relative to Commodore Biddle, became very much attached to an Indian girl. He did not know her language nor did she understand his, but in 1819 they were married at the house of her stepfather, Joseph Bailly.

"Would that my pen might do justice to this wedding! It was the most picturesque, yet no one can fully understand its attractiveness and novelty without some description of the style of dress worn by the bride and others of the women: a double skirt made of fine narrow broadcloth, with but one pleat on each side; no fullness in front nor in the back. The skirt reached about half way between the ankle and the knee, and was elaborately embroidered with ribbon and beads on both the lower and upper edges. On the lower, the width of the trimming was six inches, and on the upper, five inches. The same trimming extended up the overlapping edge of the skirt. Above this horizontal trimming were rows upon rows of ribbon, four or five inches wide, placed so near together that only a narrow strip of the cloth showed, like a narrow cord. Accompanying this was worn a pair of leggins made of scarlet broadcloth, the embroidery about three inches from the side edge. Around the bottom the trimming is between four and five inches in width. The moccasins, also were embroidered with ribbon and beads.

Then we come to the blanket, as it is called, which is of fine broadcloth, either black or red, with most elaborate work of ribbon; no beads, however, are used on it. This is worn somewhat as the Spanish women wear their mantles. The waist, or sacque, is a sort of loose-fitting garment made of silk for extra occasions, but usually of calico. It is made plain, without either embroidery of ribbon or beads. The sleeves snugly fit the arm and wrist, and the neck has only a binding to finish it. Beads enough are worn around the neck to fill in and come down in front. Silver brooches are worn according to taste. The hair is worn plain, parted in the middle, braided down the back and tied up again, making a double queue. At this wedding, four such dresses appeared—those of the bride, her mother, Madame Laframboise and Madame Schindler (my grandmother).

"The newly married pair settled at Mackinac. They occupied one house for a few months, then moved into that which was their home for about fifty years, and where they both died." (Still standing today.)

Legend weaves a pretty romance about the daughter of the Biddles. She was sent to Oberlin; during her year there she became engaged to a West Point cadet, who later came to Mackinac to claim her as his bride, not suspecting her Indian blood. When he came to the door, he was greeted by Mrs Biddle, wearing her Indian costume as usual. He took one look, and, horrified, left the Island without seeing his fiancée. It is said she died of a broken heart within the year, that her mother always kept her room just as it was, even to the gold thimble in the sewing basket. The young man later relented, and returned to the Island. This time when he appeared he asked for the girl, and her mother pointed silently to the burying-ground, then on the opposite corner. Silently, grief-stricken, he sought her tombstone, and carved a rose on the wooden headboard. If you enjoy hiking you may visit her grave in the family burial plot, surrounded by an iron fence.

V. THE ACTRESS

It was on a bitter cold night in the winter of 1826-27 that Colonel McKenney, then Commissioner of Indian affairs, at Washington, was called to his door by a young Indian

woman, perhaps 28, with a ragged blanket about her shoulders, a pair of man's boots on her feet, a pack on her back, poverty-stricken and starving. She said she had travelled Indian fashion alone from Detroit, and corroborated her story with facts about some of the Colonel's friends who lived there.

She attributed the death of her husband to the anger of the Great Spirit, offended because she had not worshipped him in the only true religion which she knew to be that of the white men. So she had come to find Mrs John Quincy Adams, the sister of Mrs Boyd (wife of the Indian agent at Mackinac) who being the wife of the Great Father of the white people, would help her, Tshusick.

Colonel McKenney was moved with pity by her tale, and installed her at a nearby hotel. He recounts the story himself in his *History of the Indian tribes of North America*. The next morning he purchased a quantity of blue and scarlet clothes, feathers, beads and other finery for her. Tshusick set to work at once, and continued to labor without ceasing until she had completed the entire costume of an Indian belle, except the moccasins and hat which were purchased.

"No other Indian female, except the Eagle of Delight, was ever so great a favorite at Washington, nor has any lady of that race ever presented higher claims to admiration. She was, as the faithful pencil of King has portrayed her, a beautiful woman. Her manners had the unstudied grace, and her conversation the easy fluency, of high refinement. There was nothing about her that was coarse or commonplace. Sprightly, intelligent, and quick, there was also a womanly decorum in all her actions, a purity and delicacy in her whole air and conduct, that pleased and attracted all who saw her. So agreeable a savage has seldom, if ever, adorned the fashionable circles of civilized life. . . . Like all handsome women, be their color or nation what it may, she knew her power and used it to the greatest advantage."

She insisted that the Colonel proceed to baptize her at once. But he called the Reverend Mr Gray, Rector of Christ Church in Georgetown. When called she insisted upon conversing only in French, to safeguard the sacredness of her sentiments. Mr Gray was simply astounded at "the extent of her knowl-

edge, and the clearness of her views, in relation to the whole Christian scheme. He was surprised to hear a savage, reared among her own wild race, in the distant regions of the northern lakes, who could neither read nor write, speak with fluency and precision in a foreign tongue, on the great doctrine of sin, repentance and atonement." She was baptized in the presence of a large company, taking the name of the wife and daughter of the then Secretary of war.

"On an occasion when the Colonel had introduced her to a large party of his friends, there was present a son of the celebrated Theobald Wolf Toone, a young Frenchman of uncommon genius and attainment, who insisted that the whole affair was a deception, that Colonel McKenney had dressed up a smart youth of the engineer corps, and had gotten up an ingenious scenic representation for the amusement of his guests—because he considered it utterly impossible that an Indian could speak the French language with such purity and elegance. He declared that her dialect was that of a well educated Parisian. We do not think it surprising . . . the language was introduced among the Indians by the priests and military officers, who were educated at Paris, and were persons of refinement. . . . Even her hostess expressed the most unqualified approbation of her conduct, this savage who had strolled on foot from the borders of Lake Superior."

When Tshusick left Washington, she was loaded down with gifts. Besides, Mrs Adams entrusted her with a variety of articles for the Boyd children at Mackinac. Her travel was arranged as far as possible by stagecoach, and she was given the means to buy a horse on which to travel through the wilderness. "Her money was placed in a belt to be worn round her waist; and a distinguished officer of the army, of high rank, with the gallantry which forms so conspicuous a part of his character, fastened with his own hand this rich cestus upon the person of the lovely tourist. . . . On her arrival at Barnum's hotel in Baltimore, a favorable reception was secured for her by a letter of introduction."

Upon her arrival in Washington Colonel McKenney had written to Governor Lewis Cass of Michigan "describing in glowing language, the bright stranger who was the delight

of the higher circles at the metropolis, and desiring to know of the Governor of Michigan her character and history. The Governor, highly amused at the success of the lady's adventure, congratulated his numerous friends at Washington, on the acquisition which had been gained to their social circle, and, in compliance with the request of his friend, stated what he knew of her. She was the wife of a short squat Frenchman, who officiated as a scullion in the household of Mr Boyd, the Indian agent at Mackinac, and who, so far from having been spirited away from his afflicted wife, was supporting her absence without leave with the utmost resignation."

This clever woman had wandered through the whole Northwest, from Montreal and Quebec, through the forests surrounding the Great Lakes, down to St. Louis. Her religious knowledge had been acquired at the missionary stations of Mackinac, and from the priests of

Montreal. She had wandered off into the white settlements, always with some such tale as she told Colonel McKenney, or that she was the sole survivor of a dreadful massacre, and she usually returned with rich booty. On the Colonel's next official visit, she fled before him (for fear of their meeting), from Detroit to Mackinac, to Green Bay, and thence to Prairie du Chien.

A century ago, this woman was considered a monstrous hoax and impostor. To me she is rather another Orson Welles; I delight in her adventures, and agree that "Her last and boldest attempt was a masterpiece of daring and successful enterprise, and will compare well with the most finished efforts of the ablest impostors of modern times."

(Those notes have been made freely from the source material in the second volume of *Historic Mackinac*, by Edwin O. Wood, some of which I have paraphrased and telescoped for brevity.)

We hear it said that prejudice is being "down" on something you are not "up" on. Dr. Bruce Baxter of Willamette university defines intolerance as ignorance plus emotion. Ignorance, he believes, is always a by-product of distance. Read, then read and read thoughtfully. Could we but place the word "tolerance" in every hat-band, on every toothbrush, on every restaurant menu, we should carry it uppermost in our minds. It must be etched into our grey matter so that we measure a man's character by his tolerance.

Be tolerant, and let us remember that the other fellow has a problem, too. Tolerance is the broad base of understanding. Let us learn to see through the events happening around us. If we can attain this understanding, whooping cough will never be hemstitching to us.

Alpha Gamma Delta quarterly, Jan '40

Gypsy Robinson Kimball (Mrs LeRoy) Pi, is Kappa Alpha Theta's representative on the Fraternity women's committee for the New York world's fair, which in March will have a gala carnival at Beekman tower, proceeds to help finance its hospitality program at the Fair.

Together with American association of university women and the Women's university club of New York city, the New York city Panhellenic will for 1940 sponsor the college hospitality center at the Fair.

Thetas Around the World

Margaret Archdeacon Darrough, *Alpha Omicron*

(Speech at Oklahoma City Founders'-day luncheon)

TO VISIT with Thetas all over the world, I invite you to adopt that popular mode of travel of the moment and fly around the world, via the imagination.

If we leave New York our first stop might be in Canada to see the 500 Thetas there who take the Theta magazine. Most of these are from our 5 Canadian chapters, but a number are transplanted from the United States too.

Flying the Great Circle route we could wave to 1 Theta in Ireland, 2 in Scotland, 1 in Wales, and muster 20 in England for a Theta luncheon. Then winging out over the Low Countries, there would be 1 in Holland, 5 in France, 1 in Italy, 1 in Turkey to wish us well. Going to Asia we could fly low and see black and gold over 1 house in Syria, 1 in Palestine, 1 in Irak, 3 in India, and 1 in Ceylon. (Perhaps we would stop there for tea.) Flying high over 7 Thetas in China and 1 in Manchuria, we would drop greetings to one sister in Korea and stop for the night with the Inglehart family in Japan. Mr Inglehart is head of the Y.M.C.A. in Japan. Mrs Inglehart and the four daughters are Thetas, graduates of Syracuse university and members of Chi chapter. Some of them are always in Japan, others in this country on jobs or with the grandparents in New York. The youngest graduated last year.

Going on to Australia, we would find 1 Theta in Sydney and 1 in New Zealand. In the Philippines we have quite a colony, 14. At least half are permanent residents—the others in army or navy service.

In Hawaii I think we would have to stay a day to meet the 43 Theta residents, many of whom are service people. In the November journal Miriam La Follette from Washington State College (Alpha Sigma) told of her radio work in Honolulu. She conducts the woman's hour on KGU, an NBC station. Most of the

programs originate in Hawaii because mainland programs are too expensive to obtain. One is given daily in Japanese. She lives with a Theta from Minnesota, Charlotte Hall, and she invites us all out to see the Paradise of the Pacific.

We should hate to pass up the 2 Thetas in Alaska, but if we go by the Canal Zone we would see 8 who are wives and daughters of service men. In Porto Rico are 10, most of them teachers. In Cuba is 1, in Haiti 1. In Mexico we would find 11 sisters, with a club in Mexico City, which welcomes tourists at meetings. Their president is Helen Elizabeth McGrath Prestley of Beta Delta.

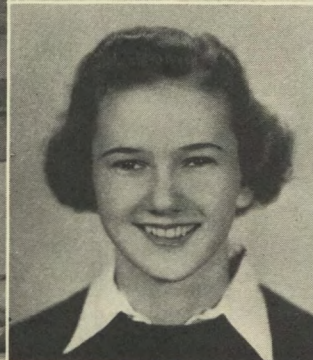
Honduras is on the map with 1 Theta, and in all of vast South America there are 11; 6 in Brazil, 2 in Colombia, 1 in Peru, and 1 in Venezuela.

The route across the South Atlantic being an easy one (they say), we can hop over to Africa and drop in on 4 Thetas in Johannesburg, South Africa. One of these girls wrote a regular Chamber of commerce treatise for the November 1939 issue of our magazine, describing the marvelous year-round climate at 6000 feet elevation, where it is delightful to play tennis and golf, drive, dance, and play bridge, with cheap servants, and clubs galore. One of these members is from California, 1 from Boston, and 2 from Reno, Nevada. We presume they are mining people. But all of you who are not too enamored by South Africa can hop the plane there and make it non-stop back to the good old U.S.A.

We have heard that many of these Thetas who live in foreign countries are coming home for the safety of the children, leaving poor papa out there to do the best he can.

All these added to those of us who stay at home, make the grand total of 18,000 magazine subscribers.

Prominent on Campus



Barbara Dickinson, A Σ
Sweetheart of Sigma Chi

Mary Bennett, A Σ
Pres. Θ Σ Φ, Assoc. Ed. *Evergreen*

Mary Ann Bowen, Γ Δ
President Sophomore Class

Betty Rinearson, Γ Δ
President, W.S.G.A.

Betty Jane Tracy, ΀
Prom Queen 1940

Margaret Andrew, B K
Y.W.C.A., Φ Σ I, Sports Club

Fortuitous and Fortunate

Two surprises in one day's mail!! and both of them charming additions to the story of convention's setting which Katherine Kenne Doyle is contributing to this year's magazines. The editor is indeed fortunate!

Little did I suspect when reading of Dr Beaumont's life at Mackinac that there was at least one Theta who had a direct interest and connection with the famed doctor—the present custodian of the silver cup which he bequeathed to the first son of each generation of the family, Judy Cummings Williams of Beta Mu, his great-granddaughter who holds the cup in trust for her own three year old son.

Nor, did I dream that the envelope post marked "Helen Mine via Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario," contained a fascinating introduction to the unspoiled, though industrially-important-for-a-century, environs of convention's headquarters; and was from a Theta whom I had met in California, Margaret Powell Kidder, Omega. Its story of that isolated land's touch with the tragedy of today is especially relevant when Thetas from Canada and the United States are planning to meet together on an island from which the mainland of each of their countries can be seen.

Fortunate also are Thetas who will have the privilege of reading these stories, fortuitously dropped by the postman.

Theta Descendant of Dr Beaumont

Judy Cummings Williams

AS to the branch of the Doctor's family from which I am descended, my grandfather was Israel Green Beaumont, who married Julia Pelton. They had six children, the youngest of whom was my mother, born in 1871 in Green Bay, Wisconsin. All of Israel's children are dead; his brother William died in infancy; the family of his oldest sister Lucretia seems to have died out about 1850. His other sister had an unmarried daughter who died in St. Louis in 1916.

Israel, being the only living son of the Doctor, passed the silver cup on to his child who should have the first son, who proved to be my brother, William Beaumont Cummings, who was born and died in infancy in Mexico. In turn my Mother's first grandson turned out to be my son J. Douglas. Don't think there wasn't competition for the cup as my sister nosed me out by six weeks, only her son happened to be a daughter. Now my first grandson will have it and so on.

Upon finishing her teacher's course at the University of Wisconsin, my mother's first position took her to Mexico where she met my Dad, W. N. Cummings, a mining engineer, a Phi Delta Theta from George Washington university, who had two sisters who joined Kappa Alpha Theta, one at Cornell, the other at Syracuse. Mother trekked back twice to Green Bay to the old Beaumont home where my sister and I were born. We were born in the same bed and room, in which she herself was born.

Touched perhaps by Mother's wanderlust I chose the University of Nevada, not too large to make friends, and not too far nor yet too near to California, where my father had been drawn by the lure of orange raising. Two years of teaching in a one room desert mining camp school succeeded in capturing for me one of the world's best husbands, but the feel of home was too much, so here we are back near enough to the family to be handy.

Michipicoton Harbour

Margaret Powell Kidder, *Omega*

I HAD just arrived at my new home overlooking Michipicoton Harbour, on the North Shore of Lake Superior, when the November Theta magazine arrived.

Glancing through it I saw that convention is to be at Mackinac Island next summer. I liked the thought of all those Thetas congregating *almost* in my home waters, and wondered if they would be interested in the fact that one of their number, an ancient one I will admit, actually lives in the country they may think a romantic playground for a few summer weeks.

If any of you come down the lakes from Port Arthur or Fort William, your boat may put in at lovely Michipicoton river. I hope it will be a sunny day—the cliffs deep blue and the white capped waves breaking into fine spray along the rocky shore.

Nestled between the Magpie and the Michipicoton rivers, sheltered from the outer harbour, you will find a Hudson's Bay post. Closed now, but most important in the days before the railroads when many a traveller left Lake Superior at the harbour and made his way by the rivers and lakes to the North.

As is so often the case, a mission was established near the post, and now there are a few houses and a tiny inn.

In 1898, at the time of the Klondike "Rush," miners making their way north chose this route. Some of them, finding gold showings in the district, never went further, settling down to mine more or less successfully, but never finding the long hoped for "Bonanza."

And so, for forty or more years there has been continued activity in the district. A little village, of log cabins and a few houses has grown up at the end of Wa Wa lake about eight miles from the harbour. Wa Wa means wild goose in the Cree Indian dialect.

The north shore of Lake Superior is the most rugged part of the Province of Ontario. The hills in unending procession march to the shore. Rising above Wa Wa lake is Helen

mountain. I must confess the "Mountain" is only 1700 feet high, but from its summit is a most lovely and extensive view. Range on range of hills, innumerable lakes and to the south the blue waters of Lake Superior.

The mountain has been mined for many years, for its iron ore. A great section of the top is now being mined by electric shovel. The ore is then conveyed by aerial tram-way to a sintering plant at the foot of the mountain, thence by train to the harbour where it is shipped to the steel mills at Sault Ste. Marie.

No motor roads lead into the district. It is a place apart. Yet, even here, we are affected by world events. Our iron is needed for armaments, when we could wish its only use was for the lowly tin can or plough-shares. Our Finnish miners go forth to fight for their beloved homeland. My cook serves the table with tears running down her cheeks, and I weep with her into my soup as we hear of the Russian bombing of Helsinki. Our sons go forth to fight for the empire. No part of the country is so isolated that it can remain untouched by world events. Bears may eat blueberries at our back door in summer, and foxes play in the snow, there, on winter nights when the moon hangs high and each frost covered twig and each snow crystal scintillates in the pale yellow light. Yet by radio, telephone and telegraph the world comes to us. Three times a week the little train winds up through the hills from Sault Ste. Marie, bringing food for the body and for the mind. As I eat my lettuce and grapes from far away California and read my books and magazines and the Toronto and New York papers, I think of all those true pioneers, the soldiers, missionaries and fur traders, all that long line of hardy adventurers who have come before us, and realize that modern communication and transportation, as well as insulation, steam heat and electricity have made us a "Hot-House" variety of pioneer.

Thetas In the Press

New Army's Food Is Streamlined

For Thetas the heroine of this story is the head of the Lorne Scots cookery school, Elspeth Middleton, Sigma alumna, who is on leave from the Toronto central technical school, so she may streamline the Army's food

"Join the modern army" was one of the first of the enticing slogans put out by Hore Belisha to attract British youth to the renovated British army, and many of the reforms insti-

tradition that the cook was the most slovenly and unkempt individual on parade, so sloppy as to provoke the commanding officer to banish him to the cook-house, in order to protect the appearance of the regiment. So, by hallowed tradition the cook of the regiment has been the man most unfitted for other duties, and usually just about as well suited for his new office. . . .

The Canadian army officially still relies on



ELSPETH MIDDLETON, *Sigma*

tuted by that dynamic personality went to justify this recruiting slogan. There is no Hore Belisha in the Canadian army, but Canada nonetheless has not been entirely apathetic to the new ideas in army building that have been introduced abroad, particularly in Britain and in Germany. The Lorne Scots at Brampton are perhaps the best immediate example of modern science applied to the problems of warfare. . . .

. . . Army traditions, particularly the worst of them, die hard. And hardest to die is the

the teachings of the Manual on army cooking published in 1933, which in the light of the last six years' development of the science of food preparation, must now be regarded as somewhat obsolete. The Lorne Scots experiment is therefore in the nature of a moustache-bristling innovation, as revolutionary in its way as anything since the replacement of muzzle-loading firearms. Though the scheme has the cautious approval of Ottawa, it is yet to be adopted outside this one unit.

Perhaps one of the happiest features of the experiment is that it is in such capable hands. The father of the idea is an astute and well-travelled, well-read individual who knows whereof he speaks when he cites instances from abroad and backs up his proposals with quotations from Hore Belisha. That there is room in the Canadian army for imagination and enterprise is amply testified in the person of Lieut-Col Louis Keene, Commanding officer of the Lorne Scots, the driving force behind the Brampton experiment.

No less credit is due to the vision of Brigadier R. O. Alexander, in command of Military district No. 2, who has given his blessings to the Lorne Scots Food administration school and who has invited other units under his command to take advantage of its facilities.

If other bouquets are to be handed out, a large one should be awarded the Canadian dietetic association and those other organizations which have cooperated so willingly in supplying instructors for the school.

The Lorne Scots School of cooking and food administration became an idea when Lieut-Col Keene found himself the day after the declaration of war with some 25 alleged cooks on his hands and an uneasy suspicion that few of them could do more than boil water successfully. . . .

The next step was to get the approval of Headquarters and the cooperation of civilian food experts. Both were soon forthcoming, and the school was speedily launched. Today some hundred cooks in training enjoy the instruction of an expert staff of teachers, headed by the capable Elsbeth Middleton of Toronto central technical school, who lecture them on the various aspects of cookery and food administration. Together with these lectures goes practical instruction in the preparation of meals in barracks, on route march with field kitchen, and even in earth trenches. Everything is based on standard army regulations—the whole object is to show that the same food can be prepared tastefully or badly, that it can be nutritious or wasted, depending entirely on the knowledge and skill of the cook.

With standard army rations and equipment the cooks of the Lorne Scots and those other units participating in the school prepare two meals daily for the 130 men and officers at Brampton, palatable tasty meals, at a cost of

around 15 cents per meal per man. Constant emphasis is placed in the classroom and in the kitchen on cleanliness, economy, and balanced diet in the menus. Army cooks for the first time are initiated into the mysteries of calories, proteins, vitamins, minerals, and learn the difference for instance between the food value of spinach cooked for 15 minutes and spinach cooked for an hour.

The course, which lasts for six weeks, is divided into two branches: theory and practice. In theory, there are lectures on nutrition, on scientific methods of cooking, on quality and standards of food. In practice, there is the actual instruction in the preparation of foods, type of cooking, correct meat cutting, baking and pastry, the conservation and economy of food.

In terms of food economy alone it is estimated that a trained army cook can in one year save 100 times the cost of his tuition, which incidentally is taken care of by the Canadian Dietetic association and other organizations assisting. In terms of the improvement in the morale of well-fed troops, in the health and happiness of the men, there is no adequate measurement. Boiled down to its coldest logic, the fact is that as a battalion of 800 men today possesses five times the fire-power of 1000 men in the last war, so the individual soldier is worth that much more in the machine, and his well-being is that much more important. . . .

Lorne Scots cooks instead of being rather ashamed of their post as cooks, exult in it. For their office has attained a dignity never before known in army life. . . . No longer is "cookie" and his offering the subject of crude jest and violent vituperation. That is, not if he has come through the Lorne Scots Cookery school at Brampton. . . .

Article by Kenneth Johnstone published by kind permission of a Toronto weekly paper, *Saturday night*, 18 N '39, where there was a front page pictorial of the school, 9 pictures.

Gas Light Heroines

The "Gas light heroines" program presented by Marian Read, actress and reader for members and guests of the Woman's club of Joliet was as thoroughly entertaining and enjoyable as the advance notices promised.

Not only is Miss Read very charming, but she is very attractive. She came onto the plat-

form-stage costumed in a black taffeta, hoop-skirted dress topped with a pink taffeta jacket of the 1830 vintage. Her pretty, vivacious face was set off to advantage with a pink and black poke bonnet that was trimmed in blue.

To prepare her audience for the proper acceptance of her presentations, Miss Read told of the characteristics of the dramatic artists of the 1830 to 1890 period, considered the greatest period of acting. Heavy makeup, rhetorical speeches, and exaggerated gestures were outstanding characteristics of this time, and Miss Read gave an example of what is known as "tea pot acting." The first permanent American theater, she said, was in Philadelphia.

Heavy make-up was probably necessary, she said, because of the fact that gas lights and torches were used to light the stage during this period. No doubt, she said, it was because of the poor lighting facilities that the exaggerated gestures were necessary, too. The stars had to be good because they had "walking rehearsals" without scenery, so almost anything could and did happen. The stars, therefore, had to be prepared for anything.

Miss Read gave portrayals of Charlotte from *The contrast* by Loyal Taylor; Mrs Tiffany from *Fashion*, a satire on the newly rich; Isabel Carlisle from *East Lynne*; Beatrice in *The false or the true*; Judas, the evil hag, in *Under the gas light*; Marguerite in *Camille*, and Susan in *Susan and God*. For an encore, she gave an amusing little French-Canadian ballad.

For each characterization, Miss Read made some slight change in her costume, such as putting on a different jacket, a flower, spectacles and cape, shawl and grey locks, grey redingote, and finally for the modern Susan, a red taffeta bolero and large red chiffon handkerchief carried to emphasize her gestures.

The melodramatic characters of the first skits were interesting and quite amusing, but the audience seemed to be most delighted with the interpretation of Susan.

A lovely tea was given by members of the Kappa Alpha Theta alumnae club following the program of the Woman's club in honor of Miss Read, the guest artist, and a member of Kappa Alpha Theta.—*Joliet herald-news*, 11 N '39

Marian Brown Read is an initiate of Beta Kappa chapter at Drake university.

U.T.'s Average Girl Student Found; Name: Betty Finnegan

Betty Finnegan, blue-eyed and black-haired, is the average co-ed freshman at the University of Texas.

The university, moreover, has records to prove it.

From Houston, after spending a year at Hockaday school in Dallas, Betty hits the "average" age figure right on the nose, according to E. J. Mathews, registrar, who at the time of fall registration found the age of the average undergraduate to be 18 years and 10 months.

And now that the co-ed's age has been made public record, she won't be able, 10 years from now, to shave off a couple of years.

A pledge of Kappa Alpha Theta, Betty is an average co-ed in more ways than age. Sweaters, skirts and ankle socks with flat-soled shoes make up her average class-room attire, she likes to play the piano, go horseback riding and is an enthusiastic sports fan.

"What sport do I like to watch best? Why, I don't know, just all of them," she said.

She doesn't know exactly why, but this Houston freshman is majoring in history with a minor in English. Asked what she intended to do when she finished school, she expressed the desire of every average co-ed:

"I'd like to get a job."—*Austin statesman*, 25 Ja '40.

Woman of Achievement

Mrs Walter Ferguson, *Tribune* and Scripps-Howard columnist, was named Tulsa's "typical woman of achievement" by Tulsa Campfire girls at the open forum at which they joined the chamber of commerce today.

Mrs Ferguson, whose citation was "a mother and a true citizen," was selected from a group of 12 prominent Tulsa women.

Mignon Putty, Campfire girl who made the presentation of a scroll to Mrs Ferguson, said, "After due deliberation, we chose one to represent the group, whom we felt was representative in the broadest sense, and whom you would at all times feel was typical of the womanhood for which you stand. . . . Mrs Ferguson, please accept this scroll in recognition of

your outstanding contributions to our city, our state, and our nation." *Tulsa tribune*.

Mrs Ferguson is known and admired by many Thetas who have come to know her since she was Lucia Loomis, charter member of Alpha Omicron chapter.

Heads School Lunch Project

A 35-year-old Tulsa woman who abandoned her career as a dietitian for a decade so that she could marry and have a family, has been chosen general superintendent of a \$2,000,000 WPA project which will provide free lunches daily for an estimated 124,000 needy Oklahoma school children.

She is Mrs Muriel Tice Nelson, whose husband, I. H. Nelson, was associated with his brother, Dr I. A. Nelson, in the Nelson clinical and pathological laboratories in the Medical Arts building, Tulsa, until he entered the University of Oklahoma medical school three years ago.

The Nelsons own a home at Tulsa, and are looking forward to returning to it after Mr Nelson completes his medical course and spends a year in Chicago as an interne.

They have two children, Bill, 13, and Kathleen 11.

Mr and Mrs Nelson are both graduates of Oklahoma A. and M. college. He majored in chemistry. She studied to be a dietitian. He took a master's degree at the University of Oklahoma. She was graduated in dietetics from the university hospital.

Before their marriage, Mrs Nelson was dietitian for the Houston Y.W.C.A. cafeteria.

Mrs Nelson said today she had definitely decided she wanted to be a dietitian when she entered college and that she had never varied from that ambition "except for the interlude of marriage and family."

She said she had found the "interlude" very pleasant, and that she felt feeding one man and two children had helped qualify her for feeding large groups.

Nelson specialized in petroleum chemistry and joined the bureau of mines station at Bartlesville upon completing his college work.

His interest in medical chemistry developed after he became associated with his brother in the Tulsa laboratories until he decided he wanted to make that field his life work and should get a degree in medicine.

That meant "five long years," Mrs Nelson related—"a pretty big slice out of our lives. But he elected to do it, and I am really very proud of him."

So the Nelsons entered another "interlude" in their lives. Turning their backs on home, friends, and a comparatively good business, they packed up their children and belongings and came to Oklahoma City.

Mrs Nelson found one compensating feature in the change, in that it permitted her to pick up the threads of her career again. She became dietitian for the Y.W.C.A. cafeteria in Oklahoma City.

Dark-haired, gray-eyed Mrs Nelson says it is really too soon to tell much about her new job.

She was picked by an advisory board consisting of representatives of the state health department, the state welfare board, WPA, Oklahoma A. and M. college and the state department of education.

Lunches for a sixth of Oklahoma's school children are to be provided through the use of surplus commodities at an estimated cost of four to six cents each.—*Tulsa tribune*, 3 D '39.

Muriel Tice Nelson is an alumna of Beta Zeta chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Writer and Painter

It took a death in the family to make Mrs Marie Nettleton Carroll realize that her poetry meant something. . . .

Mrs Carroll had written poems since she was the age of seven, but discarded them as children will. When her mother died several years ago, Mrs Carroll found among her mother's effects, many of her own scraps of poems and manuscripts.

Since that time she has had a book of verse published and many of her poems accepted for publication in the *Kansas City star*.

Mrs Carroll is now working on a full sized volume of poetry, *Beyond these walls*, to be brought out next fall. The book will include many of her previously published poems, as well as others written especially for it.

Although Mrs Carroll enjoys writing poetry, prose is another matter. "Unless you give me a pattern to put them in, you could give me all the words in the dictionary, and I wouldn't know what to do with them," she says.

The Carrolls have no children, so much of Mrs Carroll's work centered on her small niece and nephew, for whom she has written many poems.

Mrs Carroll paints as well as writes. Flowers, in water color, are her chief artistic interest now, although she used to work also in oils. Her own back yard, which she has landscaped herself, provides her subject matter.

Mrs Carroll, an ardent club woman, has recently been made poet laureate of the Daughters of the American colonists, a position of life tenure. She is also a member of the Daughters of the American revolution, the Missouri Writers' guild, the Jefferson City Writers' club, and the Jefferson City Garden club, of which she is one of the founders.

She has three thoroughbred dogs whose care she numbers among her hobbies.—*Jefferson City post-tribune*, 19 D '40.

Mrs Carroll is an alumna of Rho chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

6th Generation Lives on Century Farmer's Land

In a day when individual initiative had wider scope on the farms of the nation, Israel Webster walked from New Hampshire to Ontario County.

Because of this then ordinary event in 1795, Howard H. Utter who lives on the Canandaigua Turnpike, five miles west of Geneva, was, 145 years later, able to win the award of a "Century Farmer," presented to him by Governor Herbert H. Lehman at a State agricultural society meeting in Albany last week.

In the spring of 1795, Webster strode out of New Hampshire, young, sturdy, hopeful, walking with only a knapsack on his back and an axe in his hand. Five miles west of Geneva he found land for sale and believing it good, bought a large block, enough so at a later date he disposed of part of his holdings. There are 140 acres in the farm today.

He spent the summer of 1795 working on his holdings, improving his possessions, but in the autumn he started back for home, walking once again the 300 miles to spend the winter in New Hampshire. In 1796 he repeated his adventure, chopping, clearing and building and when the late frosts grew sharp, he

was off again for his New England hills. The farm having advanced sufficiently to provide shelter and living for his family, Webster put his goods in a wagon in the spring of 1797, and with his father in the party, domestic animals trailing behind, came again to Ontario county.

The Websters took root and the fire which they lighted on the hearthstone built by the young man, has carried on for 145 years. Eugene, a grandson of Israel, had a daughter, Lois, who married Howard Utter. . . .

The Utters have two children, David, 7, and Jean, 4. Mrs Utter is a graduate of Cornell university and Mr Utter studied for two years at Iowa State college. . . .

His wife enjoys the fact that her husband, born and raised in the city, finally carried out his life's ambition to become a farmer. Agricultural experts of the region have said that Utter is a successful farmer, a vegetable crop specialist, and a leader of agriculture in the county. He employs the latest scientific methods and continually studies to keep abreast of changing conditions.

Both Mr and Mrs Utter make a hobby of developing the grounds around the farm house. Their gardens and shrubs have made a show place of the farm and a spot of beauty on the turnpike. They make occasional visits to Mr Utter's boyhood home in New York City and like to spend their annual vacation together, hiking the back trails and fishing the little known streams deep in the Adirondacks where, as Mr Utter says, "it's quiet."—*Rochester times-union*, 26 Ja '40.

Mrs Utter is Lois Webster, Iota chapter alumna.

The *Minneapolis star journal*, December 17, 1939, carried pictures of eight members of Upsilon chapter on a page devoted to Glamour girls on the Minnesota campus.

The general caption read: "There is plenty of charm over at Kappa Alpha Theta house." The girls pictured were: Janet Bordewick, Jeanne Booth, Dale Hanson, Claudia Harding, Maura Anderson, Betty Sue Gilson, Betty Shirk, and Marian Workman—all last fall pledges except Janet Bordewick.

Mary Hillyer Blanshard (Mrs Paul) Alpha Upsilon, has been chosen executive secretary for the Woman's centennial congress to meet

in New York City, November 25-27, 1940.

Plans for the congress were announced by Mrs Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National American woman's suffrage association. The congress will be at the Hotel Astor, and open to the women of the nation. Mrs Catt pointed out that the National American woman's suffrage association is the lineal descendant of those earliest pioneers, who, in 1840, decided that if women should ever attain freedom, they must unite in a definite campaign to remove the restrictions put on them by laws and usage.

The hundred year period between 1840 and 1940 was truly the woman's century, and in the coming congress it is proposed to commemorate the almost unbelievable changes that

have taken place in the status of women within that time.

Betty Keiper, Iota, garden editor for the Gannett chain of newspapers, whose weekly column helps many a Theta improve her garden, writes of her latest enterprise: "I have become a farmer of sorts. I'm still a city dweller, but a year ago I jumped in headlong and bought me 176 acres of Bristol Hills in Ontario county where I'm spending my hard earned dollars trying to return scrub pastures to something like the original forest, meantime cutting hay and such. When you start out to be a gardener there's no telling where it will lead, apparently, especially if you build yourself an editorial reputation to maintain."

For Seniors Only!

KAPPA ALPHA THETA again has the pleasure of awarding a gift to be used for advanced study. The amount is \$500 and the scholarship is to be given to a senior who wishes to do fifth year work in order to equip herself to serve better in her chosen field.

The money for this award is accrued interest on the Loan and fellowship fund of Kappa Alpha Theta. This gift of \$500 is payable in two equal installments.

The New York alumnae chapter is to award this scholarship, and the committee earnestly hopes that many seniors will apply. Announcement of the winner will be made at Grand convention.

Conditions

1. Candidate must be a Theta in good standing for at least two years, and a citizen of the United States or Canada.
2. Candidate must be a senior in college this college year, 1939-40.
3. Candidate must present a certificate of good health.
4. Candidate must pursue her work over a period of not less than eight months in the year 1940-41.
5. Candidate must submit reports of constructive work twice during the period of her study.
6. Candidate must submit thesis or other acceptable evidence at completion of year's work.

7. Committee reserves the right to withhold the award if no suitable candidate presents herself.

Procedure for Application

1. All applications must be received by May 15, 1940, addressed to Aileen Trimble, 161 West 16th St. New York, N.Y.
2. Candidate should furnish the following:

Name
 Present address
 Permanent home address
 Date of birth
 Place of birth
 College
 Date initiated into Theta
 Chapter
 College
 Theta activities as undergraduate
 College activities as undergraduate
 Purpose of advanced work
 Outline of course to be pursued during period of scholarship
 Letters of reference, one from a Theta alumna, one from your district president, and one from your college chapter's officers
 Letters of reference from three professors under whom you have worked (Letters of reference to be sent by their writers direct to Miss Trimble)
 Certified copy of all college grades up to and including first semester or quarter of the year 1939-1940
 Small picture of yourself
 Other information that might help the committee judge your ability; in other words—tell us of yourself.

Interfraternity Conference 1939 (November) Meeting

SINCE *Friendly rivals* is on vacation this issue, we turn to this meeting for excerpts, that show what men who lead fraternities and university officials are thinking anent fraternities. Most of what we quote, is as germane to the women's groups as to the men's groups, so fraternity thinkers should find here much to help orient their opinions.

Assistant Dean of men, Frederick Stecker, of Ohio State university, spoke on the *University and fraternities*. Excerpts:

After four years as a liaison officer between a university and its fraternities I say with sincerity and with conviction that if the fraternity system is not a worthy adjunct of the educational system, then the one most to blame is the college. Please understand me; I fully realize that fraternities have faults. And I reserve the right to be critical of certain practices carried on in the name of fraternalism, such as unnecessary physical hazing, ridiculous public initiation stunts, and overzealous fraternity activity that interferes with academic duties. These faults, and others, I realize. Still, I believe that the virtues of the system far outweigh its deficiencies. It is time for all of us to realize that the fraternity is a human institution and as such will always have its faults. Unless we are willing to help correct these faults through sympathetic understanding and intelligent suggestion, however, we should abstain from criticism.

In a recently completed survey of student needs in non-academic areas made on our campus, it was discovered that for a very large number of students their main need seemed to be "the discovery of a congenial student group with which they might be identified." The extension of the fraternity idea seems to offer the best solution to the problem.

I sometimes wonder if the fraternities don't accomplish more in keeping alive among alumni the interest in *alma mater* than do we through our alumni organizations that by necessity become so impersonal.

In the matter of orientation of new students, too, the fraternity performs a job better than

we are able to. Their good goes beyond these things. The motto of our university is "Disciplina in civitatem," or translated roughly, "Education for citizenship." Speaking on the subject of preparing students for a career of social usefulness, Nicholas Murray Butler has said that in his opinion mental efficiency ranks third. Ahead of mental efficiency he places character and the art of being a gentleman. In accomplishing this latter end certainly fraternities have something to offer which would otherwise be less effectively done. One of the most important requirements for citizenship is the ability to live understandingly with others, to be able to meet all kinds of people pleasantly and effectively, and to influence them in a way that wins their high regard and confidence.

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Robert C. Clothier, president of Rutgers university:

We must stop thinking of men as rushees and pledges, of campuses as offices sought and secured, of house parties scheduled. We must try to think instead of academic achievement and of constructive forums within the fraternity house for discussion of significant and important matters, of tutoring plans for the willing but stumbling member, of friendly but firm discipline for the lazy, of methods of preserving a house environment which is one of culture and dignity, of table conversation above the level of the most recent movie and the latest baseball averages, of temperance and moderation, and of the cultivation of the standards and manners of a gentleman.

If through the influence of the college and if through the influence of the fraternity we can train our men to exercise that self-discipline which makes external discipline unnecessary, and if that spirit can be spread broadcast through our country, democracy will survive in America.

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Fred H. Turner, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Dean of men, University of Illinois:

It is not the work of fraternities at this time

to force themselves and their ideals and objectives on the educational institutions. It is the work of fraternities to meet the conditions of the times so efficiently and so well that they will be indispensable to the educational institutions. The work of the chapters in the national fraternities is essential in this, for the chapter on the campus is the working unit, but guidance in a unified, worthwhile, national program must come to the national fraternities from the National interfraternity conference.

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Arthur T. Vanderbilt, Delta Kappa Epsilon, past president American Bar association:

Vital interest in public affairs can best be developed in fraternity groups through "bull sessions," in which every man distills for himself over the four years of his college career, the essentials of his own particular philosophy of life. We owe it to the younger generation to bring these matters to their attention and to urge on them the opportunity as well as the duty

to the great nation and to the form of government that many of us are beginning to appreciate for the first time in view of events abroad. If fraternities will charge themselves with the duties of discussing these problems of leadership, these problems of civic life, these problems of the preservation of liberty and freedom under a democratic and republican representative form of government, I am sure none of us need have any concern for the future.

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Dr Henry W. A. Hanson, president of Gettysburg college, speaking from the viewpoint of the college administration, stated that the fraternity presented the finest possible setting for self development, that its task is to help the educational institution develop same, competent leadership and to prepare a man to meet the issues of life. Within the fraternity is found the finest expression of democracy and the best opportunity to render a service to the institution of which the chapter is a part.

Omicron's Yesteryear

THE STORY below came to the editor from Carol Green Wilson, Phi, who wrote that this item caught her attention while she was reading old newspapers at the Bancroft library, as part of the research necessary in connection with a book she is writing.

Who were the Thetas who enjoyed this outing? Does the item recall a happy time of their youth to some Omicron alumnæ? Who can, and will, contribute the other side, the participants record of the event, and identify the participants for the magazine?

A merry party of young ladies, belonging to Kappa Alpha Theta at the University of Southern California, with their gentlemen friends picnicked at Los Flores at the cottage of Mr Milton Lindley. There were thirty in the party

and two four-horse wagons were required to accommodate them.

This company is a creditable representative of the college to which they belong as well as of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority, the first Greek letter sorority to establish a chapter in Southern California.

After feasting of the "inner man" on the substantial and delicacies of life, and of the eye on the unparrallel view, some strolled up the canyon, others toiled up the hills, while still others gathered large collections of specimens for botanical study.

These classic maidens, with their escorts, resumed their journey home about four-thirty, charmed with Pasadena and surroundings.

Pasadena star, 6 March 1889

DePauw University

Phi Beta Kappa—Kappa Alpha Theta

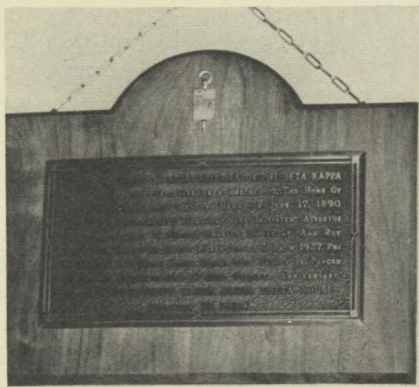
News of the celebration of the Golden birthday, the fiftieth one, of the DePauw chapter of Phi Beta Kappa is of special interest to Kappa Alpha Theta for reasons this story will reveal.

The fiftieth anniversary of Phi Beta Kappa's entrance into DePauw university was celebrated elaborately at Greencastle, December 17 and 18, 1939. Included in the ceremonies was a special Vespers conducted by Dr W. E. Bundy, DePauw professor; a chapel address by Dr W. E. Hocking at Harvard university; a forum led by Dr A. H. Compton of Chicago university; the dedication of a bronze tablet in the Kappa Alpha Theta house; initiation of honorary and alumni members;

and a formal dinner, whose toastmaster, H. Foster Clippinger, is the husband of a DePauw Theta, Charlotte Triblet Clippinger.

Phi Beta Kappa was installed at DePauw, December 17, 1889, but women students were not eligible to election to membership until 1897.

The Theta house at DePauw, which was once Beechcroft, the home of Colonel James Riley Weaver, the first president of the Phi Beta Kappa chapter there (who continued to serve as its president for twenty years) was the social headquarters for the chapter all during the life of Colonel Weaver. So—in the Kappa Alpha Theta house was hung a bronze tablet commemorating this Golden anniversary. The



"On December 17, 1889, INDIANA ALPHA OF PHI BETA KAPPA Was Organized On This Site, Then Beechcroft, The Home Of Professor James Riley Weaver. Here On June 17, 1890, The First Undergraduate Members Were Initiated: Albertus T. Briggs, Addison W. Moore, Charles W. Treat and Roy Owen West, Father of Helen West Cannon, DePauw '27, Phi Beta Kappa and Kappa Alpha Theta. This Tablet Is Placed By Her In Commemoration Of This Fiftieth Anniversary

DePauw University Kappa Alpha Theta House
December 17, 1939



Of the nineteen members of Kappa Alpha Theta elected to the DePauw chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at its golden anniversary meeting, these nine attended the celebration.



Mrs Cannon, Dr Mueller, Dr Riebsomer, Miss Neiswanger, and Dr West, participants in the dedication of the tablet commemorating the establishment of Phi Beta Kappa at DePauw university. The tablet hangs on the wall of the Kappa Alpha Theta house behind the speakers.

tablet was a gift to Phi Beta Kappa by a member of its DePauw chapter, Helen West Cannon, who also is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta. Mrs Cannon presented the tablet, which was accepted by the president of the Phi Beta Kappa chapter, who in turn gave it in charge of Kappa Alpha Theta, whose chapter president, Nancy Neiswanger accepted the trust, and then Dr Roy Owen West, one of the first group initiated by Phi Beta Kappa at DePauw, made the dedicatory address. It is interesting to note, that Dr West is the father of Helen West Cannon, and a loyal Theta father, who once accompanied his daughter on a transcontinental Theta Special train bound for convention on the Pacific coast.

Among the twenty DePauw graduates prior to 1889, elected during the celebration on records that would have made them Phi Betes if there had been a chapter at the college, were three members of Kappa Alpha Theta—Kate S. Hammond, Lillian E. Southard, Bertha J. Stephenson.

Among the twenty-one women students elected on their records made after Phi Beta Kappa entered DePauw, but before it admitted

women students, were nine Thetas—Margaret Smith Abbott, Gertrude Mikels Briggs, Blanche Bayse, Gilmore (wife of the President of the University of Iowa) Mary Ritter Beard (distinguished writer) Mintie Allen Royse, Ora Newcomb Shirk, Ethel Tilden Arnold (poet and chairman of the fraternity's DePauw memorial library alcove) Florence Line Wise, and Lilian B. Brownfield, head of the division of English and speech on DePauw's faculty. For Dr Brownfield this was a second election to Phi Beta Kappa, as after graduating at DePauw she did graduate work at Indiana university, where she was honored by a first election to this scholarship group.

Another DePauw Theta was awarded Honorary membership in Phi Beta Kappa for her distinguished work as a historian, Catherine Coffin Phillips of Los Angeles, California.

So, Alpha adds thirteen members to our roll of "Theta's in Phi Beta Kappa," during a university celebration in which two other Thetas took part, Helen West Cannon, alumna and Phi Beta Kappa also, and Nancy Neiswanger, present undergraduate president of Alpha.

Discussing a problem, a house mother said that she had talked and talked but it never seemed to bear any fruit. After two days at that chapter house, the visitor was convinced that if the house mother would try pruning her talk it might be more effective.

What Is NPC?

THE LEAD for this story came from an accumulation of mail received at the Greenbrier during National Panhellenic congress in November 1939.

The theme I hope to demonstrate, if possible, is the field and interests of National Panhellenic, so that members and chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta may no longer belong to the multitude who expect the congresses to perform miracles, and consider them opportunities for social dissipation by fraternity officers. In pedagogical terms, to educate ourselves concerning Panhellenic realities. This is no new venture, consistently many have tried to convey this information—but judging from mail received during the last congress, the conveyance has been ineffective. May the following negative approach reap a better harvest than have the efforts at a constructive build-up.

Let's look first at the telegrams, since theoretically a wire is more urgent than a letter.

PLEASE VOTE THAT THE NEXT CONGRESS MEET IN ———. ALL CITY OFFICIALS AND ALL COLLEGE CLUBS JOIN THE LOCAL FRATERNITY WOMEN IN PROMISING THE CONGRESS A FESTIVAL OF UNIQUE AND GAY ENTERTAINMENT.

Since formal congress sessions are scheduled each day to occupy more hours than a legal work day, and committee meetings and conferences demand many other hours each day, this social bait doesn't thrill delegates, or improve the city's chances of getting the next congress to meet at one of its hotels.

OUR HOTEL OFFERS YOU UNEXCELLED SECLUSION AND QUIET IN WHICH TO LEGISLATE. WE COUNT ON YOUR VOTE FOR BRINGING THE NEXT MEETING HERE.

If they had added seclusion from such wires as this, the invitation might be more inviting, even though that congress will not "legislate," since legislation is *not a function of National Panhellenic, and beyond the powers bestowed upon it by its creators*, the women's fraternities.

INTERCEDE WITH NATIONAL PANHELLENIC SO WE MAY PLEDGE MARY JONES.

No matter who Mary Jones is, National Panhellenic has no power to intercede for her pledging, or that of any girl. Such democratic powers are reserved to the individual chapter of the fraternity concerned, though some College Panhellenics have assumed they could dictate pledging. *All Panhellenic*, national or college, *has power to do* is to set standards a girl and a group must attain for pledging.

THERE ARE FIVE SORORITIES ON OUR CAMPUS SO ONE CHAPTER MAY BLOCK ANY PROPOSAL UNLESS EVERYTHING IS SETTLED BY A MAJORITY VOTE. ASK PANHELLENIC TO DECIDE WHAT VOTE WOULD BE FAIR IN SUCH A SITUATION.

National Panhellenic's *Handbook of information* recommends a majority vote for all questions, *except* for setting the date of pledge day and making rushing rules, for these latter two it suggests a 7/8 vote as preferable to the usually adopted unanimous vote. In this case a 7/8 vote works out to a unanimous vote, since parliamentary practice counts a fractional vote as one. In any case unless a College Panhellenic can make rules that every one will agree to support it can get nowhere successfully. Less concern over technicalities of such machinery as voting, and more friendly cooperation to originate a plan that will be best for college and rushees, and equally fair to every group, should be the guiding star in all Panhellenic plans.

URGE NATIONAL PANHELLENIC TO CHANGE ITS SCHOLARSHIP RULE SO WE CAN INITIATE GIRLS WITH LESS THAN A B AVERAGE WHICH IS A PHI BETA KAPPA GRADE IN THIS UNIVERSITY.

National Panhellenic has no scholarship rule. If on that campus there is a rule such as cited, the wire should have been addressed to the university officials who made the rule.

AM SENDING DOCUMENTS SHOWING THE UNFAIRNESS OF NATIONAL PANHELLENIC EXCLUDING THIS COLLEGE FROM THE LIST OF COLLEGES WHERE FRATERNITIES MAY ESTABLISH CHAPTERS

NPC has no such list of colleges. It has

nothing to do with the decision of a fraternity to enter any institution, so long as the group fulfills the standards that make a fraternity eligible to NPC membership—"at least five chapters in institutions of college rank."

WHY DON'T PANHELLENIC ALLOW FRATERNITIES TO ESTABLISH CHAPTERS AT — COLLEGE?

Since NPC has nothing to do with the establishment of chapters, there is no "why."

WHAT IS NATIONAL PANHELLENIC'S DECISION REGARDING PENALTY OUR PANHELLENIC ASSESSED AGAINST —?

Since this penalty had never been heard of, and since National Panhellenic leaves *even the expressing of an opinion* on assessed penalties to its committee on College Panhellenics, there *never* will be a National Panhellenic decision on that assessed penalty.

DO NOT LET NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CANCEL CHARTERS OF INTER-FRATERNITY CLUBS ON OUR CAMPUS. DOCUMENTS FOLLOW.

Since a charter of an interfraternity club, if it possesses such, is issued by the national organization to which the club belongs, or else by the university where the club exists, this is none of NPC's business. National Panhellenic has no authority to take any action regarding the organizations allowed on a campus, though the personal opinion of its delegates is that conditions on many a campus would be improved if it had fewer clubs and societies, whose chief distinction is a shingle and a badge.

There were more wires of similar import, but let's go on to the letters.

A half dozen lengthy reports of quarrels, penalties, etc. on six campuses, and request for trials at NPC. National Panhellenic is no court. Any quarrel that a College Panhellenic can't adjust happily, goes to the National presidents of its chapters; if they can't come to an amicable agreement, then it goes on to NPC committee on College Panhellenics, which does its utmost to suggest ways by which the matter may be adjusted and peace and dignity once more restored on that campus. But never does the committee, or National Panhellenic, conduct a trial, and both emphatically disapprove of trials as technic within College Panhellenics.

"A number of locals on our campus want

to petition for chapters of National Panhellenic fraternities, would you please, give me the rating of each fraternity on the enclosed list, so we will know in what order to encourage the locals," one letter asks. (And it is from a Dean of women!!!)

A courteous reply must explain that there is no such thing as a rating scale of fraternities on (or off) her list; that each is a worthy group; that on no two campuses among the 160 on which national fraternities exist is the strength and leadership always by the same group. That often the leader of one year is less strong the next year, and the struggling one of one year may be the leader a few years later. But, since the letter remains unacknowledged after four months, no doubt it was not believed, though it *stated the absolute truth* as any intelligent fraternity officer discovers on her first round of chapter visiting, a discovery that repeats itself every time she "makes" a new campus.

I am asked to—"present a petition to NPC that it pass laws instead of make recommendations." I won't. For NPC has *no power to pass laws*, even if at times it might wish it had such authority.

A long letter explains how a City Panhellenic, has such a varied membership, is so far removed from any college chapter, as to need badly the inspiration of having National Panhellenic meet in its city. It also guarantees a good time for all and states it could greatly enhance the congress program by supplying many interesting outside speakers from among the city's distinguished citizens. A closing paragraph asks for suggestions for programs at the City Panhellenic's meetings. That gave a grand opening to refer them to the congress committee on City Panhellenics, and to hint that if they'd study the functions of NPC perhaps they would cease to long for the inspiration of a meeting in their midst.

Similar requests are in a great pile of letters from hotels, cities, colleges, inviting and urging the next congress meet with them. There are also a number of invitations to include this or that city in my return route from NPC and speak before city or college Panhellenics. Some of these invitations if accepted would call for a thousand or more extra miles of travel! Geographic and railroad knowledge are strangely missing from the educational equip-

ment of even college graduates.

Individuals want definite, *universal* rules on such things as uniform pledge training programs; size of chapter houses; forcing all seniors to become inactive so that there will be room under a limited membership plan for a certain chapter of a certain fraternity to take "three more dear girls" (A college officer made that request); forcing city and church clubs to stop using Greek letters for names of their organizations;—and believe it or not—one asking, my "interest in getting NPC to send a Mortar board charter to our local honor society"!!

Just how to reconcile such requests with the first thing you are told on every campus, by every one from college president to parents of freshmen—that "this college is different, individual," passes understanding. No doubt many of these questions seem as ridiculous to most who may read this as they did to me when the letters were first read. But—each one had behind it a sincere desire to improve conditions,

so must have a sincere answer, tactfully trying to explain why one can not fulfill their requests, and trying to lead them to see the true situation and where and how they should attack problems they are facing, though such replies consume hours of time and perhaps result merely in calling forth the question—"What is the use of National Panhellenic if it can't do this thing?"

Since that question wasn't in White Sulphur mail, an attempt to answer it will come in a later issue of this magazine, if National Panhellenic's deeds do not speak for themselves to fraternity women who take the trouble to read its history.

Did Thetas send all those wires and letters? Oh no, some of them are from Thetas, some from "interested fraternity alumnae" who fail to mention their fraternity affiliations, some are from city clubs, from college officials, or from local fraternities, some from city officials and chambers of commerce, some from women anxious to have daughters "make a fraternity" and some from people who do not identify themselves except by undecipherable scrawled signatures.

Sing When You Talk

A recent AP dispatch from Washington which has gone the rounds of the press, may be especially interesting to Thetas who plan to attend convention as delegates, and even to visitors there who have a yen to participate in discussions.

We quote from the report of a talk before newspaper women in the Capitol city, by the noted voice teacher, Mrs Elizabeth Von Hesse.

She tossed "cawn't" and "bawth" out the window along with New England broad "A's" and said there was no place for them in the American language. . . .

Mrs Von Hesse also disposed of a Southern accent as "lovely to listen to, but difficult to understand."

"The most pleasing voice," she said, "is one that has no earmarks of any particular section of the country." . . .

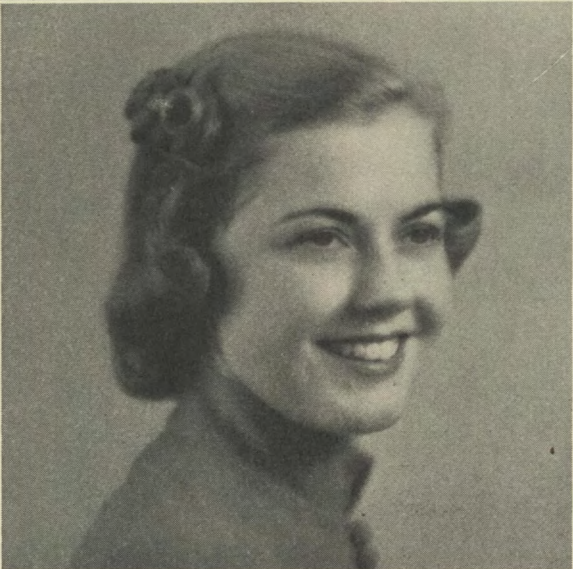
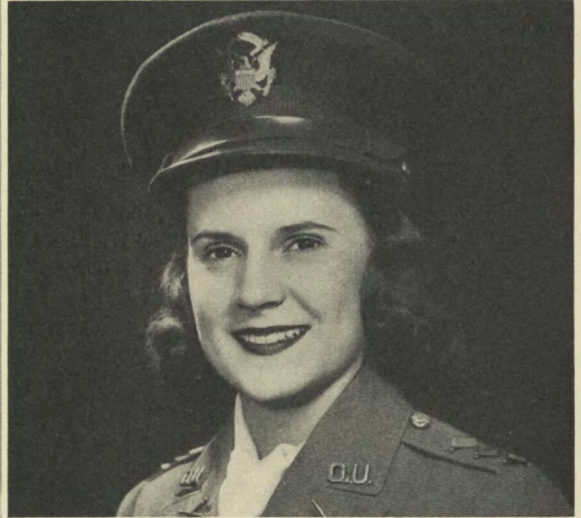
Quoting a British criticism that Americans are "a nation of mumblers" and a French comment that they are "a nation of squawkers," Mrs Von Hesse said such American speech

faults as high pitch, mumbling, lack of articulation and dull flat tones could be corrected, first of all, by listening.

"We must sing when we talk," she continued. "A speaker holds his audience through melody—an undulating tone with at least seven or eight notes in his range.

"Mumbling is our greatest fault," she said. "It's due to frozen upper lips. The tossing 't's' are very important, and give the short 'i' its just due. Take time. Vowels must have time to round out. Consonants must have time to toss."

College Thetas



Rosalie O'Connor, Ψ
Crown Princess, 1940 Prom

Nancy Katherine Pace, A O
Oklahoma Honorary Colonel

Mrs Sinclair Visits Alpha Kappa

Patsy Lee Ivey, A O
Sweetheart of Sigma Chi

Patty Thompson, A O
Rub-Neck Queen

Futures PFD.

By Hortense Imboden Hudson, Delta Delta Delta, Vocational adviser. Published through courtesy of that fraternity's editor, in whose January 1940 issue it appeared.

SCARCELY two days home from the West and this copy is due on THE TRIDENT editor's desk by airmail!

Already people are saying to me, "Now that the survey is over, tell us what your conclusions are." But it is not as easy as that. Six weeks of interviewing, listening hour after hour to employers, college professors, deans of graduate schools, and business and professional women in every field of work have given me a very fat notebook and a brain fairly whirling with theories on education, policies in merchandising, and opinions on politics, wars, women's place in the world, and even gardening: for I have been in that gorgeous country where rock gardens are a hobby and where chrysanthemums, the big, spider variety, grow six feet tall in flower pots.

To list the high spots of the trip through Tennessee, Texas, and up the West Coast is asking too much of five hundred words, for every city visited had its own interesting situations. However, there was a certain phase of the problem "After College—What?" that nearly every interview focused on: how training on the job can best be handled. Employers everywhere say: "College graduates are lacking in experience and they are not willing to acknowledge their ignorance of the businesses while someone teaches them. If they would work on Saturdays or during the summer, even that scant knowledge of a store or an office would make the adjustment easier when they are ready for a permanent position."

Employers are selecting stenographers with considerable care, interviewing only those who have majored in a subject that is of value in the particular business. This is done with the intention of promoting the stenographer to a position as personal secretary when she has become familiar with the office routine. Again, the importance of some knowledge of the business itself is emphasized.

Colleges are attempting in their various courses to supply some experience to students by arranging with business houses and other institutions for apprenticeship schedules which will serve in these fields the same purpose as practice teaching in education courses.

The "fifth-year policy" for technical training in education, library work, social work, merchandising,

and so forth is being received with mingled feelings. To the protests of parents and not a few educators the college explains that almost any profession demands a broad background of fundamental courses, such as English, history, biology or chemistry (or both), sociology, economics, and psychology. This schedule of courses does not leave hours enough in the four-year period to include the special required courses in the major field of concentration. The redeeming feature of the fifth year is that in most colleges it includes apprentice experience, thus making it possible for the fifth-year student on graduation to adjust quickly to her new position because it is not entirely unfamiliar.

The present accent on experience is definitely heartening. Seldom does one hear a college professor encourage a girl to remain in college for continued years of graduate research. She is urged to find a job after that fifth year in order to "learn by doing."

Perhaps this attitude is the result of vocational research which has revealed that many young people are incapable of adjusting to the practical job after long years in laboratory or library. Though thoroughly prepared theoretically, they sometimes find the practical job actually distasteful. The apprenticeship training or beginner's job is the time and place to determine whether the choice of a profession is the right one. If it is not the right one, there is still plenty of time to make a change; for the background courses already completed may suggest several alternatives.

There is not space here to carry the discussion further to show in what way personal conferences between students and well-trained personnel counselors (as well as faculty advisers) become a very important part of the program. The methods used are widely different even in adjoining cities; but there are few educational problems receiving more attention than that of vocational assistance for our high-school and college students.

Methods will change, just as methods in general education have been changing through the years. But out of the many experiments will come at least a more intelligent understanding of the training desirable for making a life as well as making a living.

What Alumnae Do

Edited by Mrs Moore, Grand Alumnae Secretary

Grand Convention

The small discussion groups which previously concerned themselves with money-raising, programs, budgets, and such mechanical matters will be replaced at the next convention by what we think a more sensible grouping. There will be three simultaneous discussions, taking place as often and for as long as anyone wants to remain. Delegates will be grouped as follows: city chapters, college town chapters, and small town chapters. Visitors will be urged to join in the fun. If you have a bone to pick, or a question to be answered let us have it.

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CLUB representatives are urged to attend this convention as there will be special group discussions arranged for them. Delegates, or visitors, from official clubs have recognition in convention sessions, and have the privilege of the floor during discussions. Since there will be some general discussion of club status and requirements in the alumnae sessions, it is hoped that clubs will send people to speak for them. This is especially urgent for the older clubs that anticipate becoming alumnae chapters.

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GARY alumnae has an interesting and personal service contribution which it makes annually to its own community. It acts as Santa Claus to a colored family which has shown its appreciation and affection by naming one of the daughters "Theta."

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IOWA CITY club is only a year old, but it has developed a program of activities that would do credit to a large chapter. Beta Omicron is the recipient of its gifts and entertainment. At the close of college Iowa City and Cedar Rapids clubs will join to present a gift to the senior in Beta Omicron who has meant the most to her chapter during her four years in the university.

Are You an Effective Alumna?

How many times have you been asked what belonging to a sorority has done for you? A sufficient number of times to make you think seriously of the answer. I'll wager. But how many of you have ever been asked what you can do for your sorority? Somehow we usually think of benefits due us rather than our obligations and relations to the groups of which we are members. . . .

How many of you make a *real* effort to support and cooperate with the organization of which you were so proud to be a college member?

That very word *PROUD* is the key to much of our alumnae laxity. Somewhere between college days and the present, many alumnae have lost their pride in being Sigma Kappas. Look about you and discover what it is in your present surroundings that you work at most devotedly. Is it a garden? Is it a charming home? Is it children? Why do you give so much thought and attention to it? I'll answer that for you—because you are proud of it. You simply glow when someone compliments you on it. Do you have that same feeling about your sorority?

There may be alumnae who are in situations which make it absolutely impossible to fulfill the obligations mentioned above. Yet, even so that doesn't mean you can't do something for your sorority. Several weeks ago I attended a feminine bridge party. During a lull in play, the subject of sororities was mentioned. Without any boastfulness and with unusual subtlety the girl opposite me talked of the house to which she belonged. When I left the table it was with a feeling that her sorority was an interesting one of high standing. She had made that impression possible.

In the same way each of you can do that for Sigma Kappa, you can give your organization prestige by being a credit to it personally, by speaking of it, by showing that you are proud of it and are glad to be a Sigma Kappa.

Sigma Kappa Triangle

Modeling As a Vocation

Recent issues of this magazine have carried stories of two members of Kappa Alpha Theta who "arrived" in this job or profession, which ever it may be. Since those stories aroused the interest of many an undergraduate in the "possibility of such a career," we now give you a glimpse of the requirements, the ups and downs of the work, and the rewards. Don't overlook the horde of competitors, the percentages of those who succeed in making a living on the job, and the stiff demands as to talents and looks; to skip that part of the article won't help you decide on the career's possibilities for you, or your friend.

THE COMMERCIAL model is a very special type of American beauty, young, slim and dazzling, with the glossy look of impeccable grooming. There are about 1700 of these girls in New York alone; 500 work regularly and the rest are occasional or pin-money models. . . . The commercial model is the photographers' model, the girl whose face appears continuously on billboards and in magazines and newspapers, doing everything from diapering babies to snuggling into a chinchilla overcoat. There are about three outstanding types, and the advertising agencies and photographers refer to the girls and file their pictures in three categories.

1. The fashion model is the out-and-out raving, tearing glamour girl of the business. She is characterized by a slightly too-thin figure and an apparently inborn attitude of indifference to even the most fabulously expensive clothes. She hardly ever smiles and she is capable of a series of poses which if put together in a movie would constitute a dance moderne.

2. The largest number of models might be described as the All-American Girl. This young woman is deliciously pretty, wholesome and, as far as her photographic appearance is concerned, devoid of character. She is the one on the magazine covers and in the cigarette advertisements. . . . She is just the girl most American undergraduates would like to take to a football game. It is impossible to tell from her pictures whether she is intelligent or moronic, whether or not she hates spinach and loves peanuts. In brief, she is a stylized, unreal version of the average American girl.

3. This group is similar to those in the second, in looks and general type, but they are slightly more mature. These are the models (who may be anywhere from 19 to 35) who play newlyweds and mothers—pleasant-looking, eminently harmless young women with good teeth. They dandle babies, greet homecoming husbands, pout over the color of their washing and, with other members of the "cast," form satisfied groups that beam proudly at automobiles, radios, iceboxes and vacuum cleaners. . . .

The average age of the New York model is 23. The preferred measurements are: height, five feet seven; bust, thirty-four; waist, twenty-five; hips, thirty-five, and a shoe size of 5A. The little or "cute" type is usually five feet two, with a bust measurement of

thirty-two, waist twenty-three, hips thirty-four and size 3½A shoe. . . .

Most of these girls come from practically anywhere in the country except New York. Apparently local belles all over the United States, once they are aware of their superior assets, pack up and come to New York in search of stiffer competition and greater gains. For many, modeling constitutes a sort of waiting club for the theatre—the theatre proper as distinct from showgirl or chorus work—but for the majority it is just a case of taking one's beauty to market. Most of them come from fairly prosperous middle-class families, and have been through high school, but few have graduated from college. . . .

A model's working hours are very irregular. She may be going steadily from 8 in the morning to 9 or 10 at night, or she may have a slack week and be booked for only two appointments. In any case she works hard and has to put up with a good deal of discomfort. . . .

In between sittings she peddles her photographs, making the rounds of studios and agencies, alone or with another girl, and usually on foot. . . .

The standard rate of pay for a model is \$5 for an hour or any part thereof. If a girl poses for only five minutes she gets her five but if she has been on a job two hours and runs over into part of a third, the chances are she will not be paid \$15, but \$11 or \$12.50 instead. . . .

As soon as a model is enough in demand to be able to command her own price she raises it to whatever she can get. There are quite a few girls in the business who won't work for less than \$10 an hour, and every few years one will appear who becomes such a rage that she can demand and get \$25. However, the largest group of models average \$50 a week and the top-notchers, of whom there are now about twenty, average from \$75 to \$150. . . .

Once the career is over, the majority of models pass into oblivion as far as the public is concerned. But having had little personal or "name" publicity, this oblivion, in contrast to what happens to an actress, is no letdown. . . .

In short, the proceeds of their seven years on the job are all on the plus side. The models make good money, various fields are opened up to them, and they have an extremely good time. And when the urge to marry overtakes them their chances of a successful marriage are good, because unlike most career women they do not suffer from an over-developed ego, and a mass of frustrated ambitions.

Kappa Alpha Theta Convention

June 30 to July 5, 1940

Grand Hotel—Mackinac Island—Michigan



THE ISLAND'S 1780 FORT FROM ITS HARBOR

A special train will bring Thetas from Detroit to Mackinaw City.
Ferry boats will carry them across the harbor to the Island's dock.

Intercepted Correspondence

(Continued)

DEAREST ESTHER:

Now see here, Esther, of course you have the right idea to start with—going to Theta convention at Mackinac this summer, but if Dottie really wants to take a cruise, why not board one of the big boats sailing from Detroit, Chicago or Milwaukee and include a cruise on the Great Lakes, or even just a round trip to the Island? It's as good as an ocean trip, and nary a sub!

You're absolutely right about Mackinac—it has an atmosphere! But if you two are moderns interested in the future more than in a romantic past, you'll be indulging in sports in a big way.

First, a word of warning! Bring your scuffiest old walking shoes! Oh yes, you will! Walk and walk, because there are absolutely no automobiles though you can always take a buggy or a bicycle cart. High heels are definitely out! One summer a smart pair of sport shoes appeared in one of the shop windows, and at least twenty visitors I knew tried them on. But there they stayed till September, because they were either a 3D, or a 9AAAAA. You'll walk, and like it, the air is that bracing, to say nothing of the meals, courses and courses of them at the Grand. The grandest breakfasts you ever ate, and you think you'll skip them but you won't—and you can't skip the fish course at luncheon or dinner either, because those waters have been famous for centuries for their white-

fish and trout! So to be fair to your figure you'll just have to walk.

But that's the best way to see Fort Holmes and Arch rock, Skull cave and Sugar loaf. And you'll probably bicycle around the island, nine miles of beauty you'll never regret. Or ride horses, play golf on one of the two courses, or swim in the beautiful outdoor pool.

It is going to be a real reunion, and if you haven't seen your chums for one year or twenty, declare yourself a vacation and let's make it the grandest house party ever.

Speaking of wall-paper, perhaps you don't know that the Grand has been completely redecorated in the last few years. Really it's beautiful! For instance, the Blue Room—but just ask our convention manager, jolly Eleanor Dilworth, or our revered president, Mrs Sinclair to describe the exquisite Presidential suite. They confessed that when they stepped out on their Juliet balcony overlooking the Straits of Mackinac shining under a full moon, that they felt like Queen Elizabeth herself! All they needed were a few cheers, and they'll get those alright.

All the young college sprigs will be saying the same thing, perhaps not out loud, but they'll be thinking it—"Just the place for a honeymoon." It gives you that pleasantly romantic feeling.

Can't resist butting in—

SALLY

Co-Ed's Clothes Bill Is Only \$70 for Year

Special to *The New York times*

Austin, Texas, January 20—Putting wardrobe expenditures on an itemized basis, a class of eighty University of Texas home economics majors have found that it is possible to get by on 19 cents a day. This sum was spent by one co-ed who kept her clothing bill for last

year down to \$70, or less than a third of the \$230 average for the whole class.

The girls found their average expenditures less than half the pre-depression rate of \$516, shown by clothing budgets kept by the co-eds of 1929.

Eleven per cent of the class spent less than \$100, while 7 per cent exceeded the \$400 mark last year. Fifty-nine per cent spent less than the average \$230, while 41 per cent spent more.



AVIATRIX FLORENCE ELLIOTT, GAMMA EPSILON
In a R.C.A.F. training ship

Thetas You'd Enjoy

Aviatrix, Florence Elliott, *Gamma Epsilon*

First girl graduate of the University of Western Ontario to obtain a Private pilot's certificate, and now secretary of the London (Canada) Flying club, Florence Elliott doesn't know what to say when asked why she first took flying lessons! From radio advertising to aviation in six weeks is a rather sudden transition—and a most interesting one, according to this auburn-haired Canadian Theta.

But interesting jobs are nothing new to the only woman member of the London Flying club, for this 1939 graduate became her Alma Mater's first Press secretary a month after convocation! At "Western" she'd smashed precedents right and left: first woman member of the advertising staff of the college paper, first woman Advertising manager of the yearbook, making such a success of the job as to be given a gold ring awarded by the Students commission.

After a year as Press secretary, Florence entered the radio advertising department of a London manufacturing concern which sponsored an aviation program, *The adventures of Howie Wing*. Answering the fan mail was one of her most interesting jobs, and after one week at that, she found herself out at the airport learning to fly:

"I don't remember ever considering flying seriously," she said laughingly, "I just suddenly wanted to fly. But the neighbors at home in Woodstock immediately unearthed reminiscences about my early childhood; it seems that when asked what I wanted to be when I grew up, I would lisp sweetly 'I want to be an aviatrix' . . . but it was all news to me!"

Learning to fly wasn't easy. After a full day at the office, she caught a bus to the airport and waited her turn at the Taylor Cub used for training. She was the instructor's first girl student. "He was wonderful to me; never lost his temper and always was so patient, even though he told me I was the worst girl student he'd ever had," said Florence.

After only four and a half hours' instruction, she flew solo.

"That's the biggest moment you get in flying, I think, when the familiar figure in the front cockpit steps out and says 'Take her around alone now, and set her down easy!' You don't have time to be afraid, you don't have time to do anything but remember everything you must not forget, if you're going to land safely. You really don't have time to realize that you're all alone up there, a thousand feet in the sky, with no one near for miles and no one but yourself to do anything about it."

The instructor, Howard Wright, was more worried than his student that time, according to onlookers. But she brought the Taylorcraft down nicely, walked into the hangar casually, and then got very shaky in the knee section! To celebrate the once-in-a-lifetime occasion, Florence had a milk shake. Her family were unimpressed. When the only daughter burst in that week-end with the news that she had soloed, Mrs Elliott remarked that it was simply another thing to worry about! And her brothers made the usual comments on the condition of the aeroplane.

However, undaunted by lack of appreciation in the home, or at the office (where she sat thinking about flying all day) "Floss" received her first serious set-back when she misjudged a landing one evening and smashed up the Taylorcraft. "There's no worse feeling in the world than wrecking something that doesn't belong to you," she confessed. "And the club needed the plane badly. I wasn't hurt, and would have felt better if I had been. But I used to wake up in the middle of the night hearing myself screaming again, as I crashed, and then that awful, unearthly stillness, with things settling all around me."

That was just a week before the tests for private pilots which are conducted by the Department of transport. So Florence had to learn all over again on a new type of light plane—starting the day after the crack-up. She and the instructor went up to practice spins while they

piled the pieces of the little red Taylorcraft on a truck and sent it away for repairs! And she passed her flying tests a week later easily, though she missed the Air regulations examination. The test was flown only six weeks after her first day at the airport.

Two months later, in October, 1939, Florence took on a new job, first woman secretary of the Flying club. That month the training of Royal Canadian Air force pilots started at the club, with all kinds of new problems and equipment at the airport. Since then, things have happened fast. Civil aviation boomed, with every healthy young man in Canada looking eagerly at Air force recruiting offices, entrance being easier if you had a Private pilot license.

A large new airport has been cleared by the Dominion government and turned over to the City of London. Buildings are being put up, preparations are being made, and in the spring, the London Flying club will move in and take over Royal Canadian Air force training. Fifteen instructors, 30 new ships, 50 engineers and mechanics will be required to turn out 260 Pilot officers annually . . . and the secretary of the London Flying club will be right in the middle of things.

This year, Florence chose membership number 13 in the club, to bring her good luck, because she was born January 13, 23 years ago, and took her position with the Flying club October 13. But Thetas knew there's more than luck involved in her career, and are forming a line on the right for an aeroplane ride with their first aviatrix.

GWYNNETH MARTIN

Martha Springsteen Frye, *Beta Iota*, an ACTIVE Theta

Having charming and capable Martha Springsteen Frye as a member delights Denver alumnae. Martha teaches dancing; ballet, tap, ballroom or whatever you may desire. This year, to add new interest in dancing in Denver, she and her husband have been specializing in square dancing. Mr Frye calling, and Martha instructing. She belongs to a National dancing teachers association.

In addition to the classes she teaches each week, Martha runs her home smoothly and with

dispatch, finds time for the many demands her three sons make upon her. She accompanies her eldest boy who plays the violin, does more than her share of P.T.A. work, and attends Boy Scout affairs, not to mention the clubs and organizations to which she and her husband belong.

She is a loyal and generous friend, and those in need find her beautiful outlook on life and sympathetic understanding an ever ready source of comfort and inspiration.

Her activities in Theta have been many and varied. At one time she was Denver alumnae's able president; now she is chairman of the recommendation board, and her assistance in rushing is invaluable since she is held in such high regard by high school girls and their mothers.

A Newspaper Enthusiast

I was married last August to Clyde Botkin who is a medical student at the Indiana Medical center in Indianapolis. As he is busy all



day at college I applied for a position in the editorial department of the *Indianapolis star*. I am doing a shopper's column, by name, "The Star shopper" which appears twice a week, and am on call for special assignments

and feature stories at all times. I am in the class known as "contributing writers" and I find this field of newspaper work an interesting one, since I have had the newspaper bug in my bonnet ever since I was in high school, and due to the fact that I never know from one day till the next just whether I am to be sent out to cover a television story, museum pieces of Copenhagen porcelain, or wrack my brain for words for the beauty of Lalique glass or hand-wrought silver. I still hold a fascination for the smell of the paste pot and the rush to meet dead lines, and such a diversity of subjects to write about naturally makes me have a great interest in my work. Newspaper work is an education in itself, for I learn so much from it every day, to say nothing of the contacts with interesting people which I make every day.

I attended Muncie central high school and during my four years was a member of the *Munsonian* staff, weekly school paper, doing fashion stuff and a column concerning, "tales out of school."

After graduation I attended the University of Missouri, one of the finest and oldest journalism schools in the country. It was here that I was initiated into Alpha Mu chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta. It is a grand chapter and the girls contributed much to my happiness and work during my two years stay. But perhaps the desire to be near a certain Clyde Botkin, whose Sigma Chi pin had strong ties as far as I was concerned, influenced me to spend my last two years of college at Indiana university. There I was indeed happy to receive the gold key award for the highest scholastic standing in the School of journalism of the junior and senior classes. I was secretary and a charter member of the Advertising club and was active in research work of both advertising and journalism at the university.

During the past year I was a copy writer for the Applegate advertising agency at Muncie, Indiana, my home. There I enjoyed the activities of the Theta alumnae group.

I am now living in the Summit apartments, 2035 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, and am looking forward to the friends I will make in the Theta group here during the next three years while my husband will be in medical college.

BETTY JEAN LEWELLYN BOTKIN

To South America We Go

Helen Hutchings Watson, Beta Xi, and her husband made an interesting journey from California to Panama on a Japanese freighter. Through her sister, Isabella, also Beta Xi, we are privileged to enjoy some of their experiences culled from Helen's letters.

Boarding the freighter late one evening, we awoke to find the boat already well under way, and to discover that I was one woman among fifty men aboard: beside we two, there were three other passengers, one other American and, two Ecuadorians who between them spoke three English words; the rest were Japanese crew, whose English was unique, at least.

The luncheon gong (and I mean gong!) called us to the "Dining saloon," where dining wasn't so easy. We were seated at two tables: at one, "Spec" and I side by side, the first engineer with ten English words to his credit, the purser, and an unidentifiable member of the crew. There were many dishes on the menu, over which we all smiled, in lieu of a common speech. At the other table the other American had a dual problem, recalling enough Spanish to converse with the two Ecuadorians, and selecting the ten English words that the Japanese officers might know. We had quite a struggle to decide the proper silverware with which to eat the many dishes offered and still have a fork remaining for dessert. Our table mates were no help, for they ate with chopsticks. The next day the silver mystery was solved, you eat the always present helping of rice with a spoon, so have a fork for dessert.

A late afternoon siesta was interrupted by our cabin boy, who spoke for the first time, repeating the word "bass" at least ten times, and it was not until he had rejected the four drinking glasses offered him, that I settled on "bath" as the word he was attempting to say. Trying not to be surprised by anything, but with forebodings, I went to the bath room, expecting a large round wooden tub, Japanese style, but finding there a good old American style bathtub. Everything went well, I had no worry about intruders, for I was the only woman on board; but I was pained and surprised on placing my foot accidentally in the line of an unsuspected drop of steaming water from a nicely hidden spigot. I wondered why no lather could be obtained from the soap, but credited it to the soap. When I returned

to our cabin the mystery was solved. We had bathed in salt water, and "Spec's" hair, naturally curly, was as thick and straight as a board; remedying this mishap made us late for dinner.

After dinner was a great success, a "Hop Ching" game was magically produced, a game that no language can defeat. The other American would entertain the Captain and two Ecuadorians with coin tricks in two languages. One of the tricks called for great explanations in Spanish, so I stepped in and lent a hand, both hands in fact. As we were on our way to Chile, we were eager to put our meager Spanish to test, and the result was quite successful. As far as Japanese went, I had given up trying and only slightly hated the man who said there is a common language the world over, while admiration mounted for the creator of Esperanto. My Spanish improved by leaps and bounds, until I had the uncontested title of linguist of the ship.

Dopey, as we renamed our cabin boy, was quite disgusted that I never got up for breakfast. I would awake to find my breakfast of very cold coffee and grapefruit waiting on our small table. I was eager to catch him in the act of putting it there, but never succeeded.

Life was leisurely and enjoyable. I began to realize how good an ocean voyage is for one's mind and body. Then, the fifth night, it got rough and choppy, the eighty-fifth sheep was just jumping over the fence when the boat really started pitching and lightning flashed through the window. It seemed that the whole ship was in tumult. I heard people running about on deck. I tried to decide which of all our belongings we should grab when the alarm sounded. I fell asleep trying to decide which dress I should wear for the rescue! The next morning found the calmest of calm seas, and feeling a little foolish I decided not to mention my night's reverie; but I did ask my husband, if our passports were in the safety box we had dragged along, only to find that they were in a suit pocket, one we would have left behind undoubtedly in a hurried departure.

I have always admired the Japanese ability to copy objects so perfectly. To which country belonged the model of this ship, and was it a perfect reproduction of the original? That there was an original in some other country

was taken for granted for this spotlessly clean ship, up to the last minute in construction, appointments, and power. "Spec" after much investigation of below deck regions was sure that this ultra freighter was not built merely as a freighter.

The crew was unique. They were so polite and tried so hard to make us happy, seeming to devine our every wish, which was well, because asking for anything was almost an hour's work. Our three fellow passengers were a show. Mr B—— employee of the Canal, was a typical, jovial, back slapping American, who made almost as many mistakes in English as he did in Spanish, and whose keen sense of humor got by in any and every language. Of the two Ecuadorians—Senor L—— was always joking and making fun of Senor S——, though they were the best of friends. His most treasured story was of the time he went into a Los Angeles store and asked the clerk for an "onion suit." After consultation with a half dozen store officials, they finally realized that what Mr S—— wanted was a union suit.

I was tired of the boat, but hated the thought of leaving it the next day at Panama. "Panama," that word held for me a mysterious romance. There was a nervous excitement over coming to the first port. I awoke to miss the throbbing of the engines; we had arrived. We dashed on deck to see seven other ships waiting their turn to go through the canal, ships from far lands, passenger, freighter, large, small, lying at anchor in the peaceful early morning. As we watched, a United States cruiser appeared, followed by a destroyer and a submarine, heading out for their daily manœuvres. As they passed, each ship lowered its flag in salute.

After our last breakfast on board we sought out Dopey to let him know in a monetary way how much we appreciated his ardent servitude. I am quite certain by the surprised look on his face that he will desert the sea and retire, a gentleman by our gratitude. He presented us with our bar chits, with the heading "Soo-day-wat" neatly written in his unforgettable style. Yes, we will miss Dopey; his persistence, his never believing a negative answer when his head would intrude through our door, "Bass Plees," or "Supper Plees," his repetition of the words at two minute intervals,

the solemnly and ceremoniously setting of a place for me at breakfast, and the blank dismay that transformed his face when we asked for nothing, the visible humor that spread over it when we decided to meet him half way by saying "arigato," that is "thank you," and the way he turned and went in the opposite direction, a scared rabbit look in his eye, whenever we would beckon to him.

Radio Vocations

Alice Bradford, *Alpha Psi*

(Assistant to the Director of magazine publicity, NBC, Radio City)

If you were to come to visit me, you would be directed to a large room in which about fifty people sit among as many busy phones and typewriters, turning out news and publicity about NBC. It is called the Press department, and is set up like a newspaper office with a city desk in the center, and the writers (each specializing in a different field) turn their copy in to the desk editor. Do not confuse the Press department with the News department, however. The News department is responsible for the news bulletins and flashes you hear on the air over NBC's two networks (your local NBC-Red and NBC-Blue stations). The Press department's "news" is confined to informing the press and the world in general about interesting programs coming up, or interesting things NBC is doing. Thus we have our fingers on the pulse of the entire industry, from what the Program department is about to air to what latest scientific development has been worked out by RCA or NBC engineers to make life easier for you, the radio listener.

In one corner of the Press room you will find me, sitting between my boss, Bill Miller, and a staff writer. This is the Magazine section. Bill Miller instigates and coordinates its activities. The staff writer checks articles on radio by free lance or magazine staff writers for accuracy, or, in the case of small, specialized magazines, writes them himself. My duties as assistant and secretary to Mr Miller run from such routine jobs as making up advance program listings of what I consider the best NBC programs for such magazines as *The New Yorker*, *The American girl*, or *School management*, to thinking up and promoting new pub-

licity ideas. It includes interviewing writers, helping radio editors dig up material for stories, servicing magazines with pictures and releases, getting people broadcast tickets—in short, everything publicity covers.

For the information of Thetas who may wonder how I got this position, I can only say that, helped by my experience in the Promotion department of *Time magazine*, I got here through the usual secretarial key-hole. I still handle all the Magazine section's secretarial work. Though I occasionally pound it out on the old noisy, most of it is taken by my beautiful, streamlined secretary, Jennie (Miss Dictaphone to you), and comes back neatly finished from NBC's Stenographic department (where I started a couple of years ago).

There are very few women in the Press department. The Womens' Program and Fashion specialist and the Religious editor are the only staff members not occupying more or less secretarial positions. Both of them wrote and worked in these respective fields before coming to NBC.

Radio is an exciting business to be in, but is perhaps more exacting than most because of the importance of the time element in every department of its activity. I don't feel qualified at all to advise sisters who favor radio as a career, but since you asked me, I do know that in radio, as in any business, good secretaries are always in demand. From that point on, the result depends on a girl's special interests, abilities and knowledge.

With this story came an article, *Radio careers for women* written by Julian Street jr. for *The American girl*, and reprinted in several digest magazines. "To give you an idea of our work, and show the feminine angle of the road to radio."

From that article, too long to reprint, comes the following excerpts, which may interest some looking-for-a-career Thetas.

"You will find women—and they are not very old either—holding down some of the biggest executive positions in radio . . . as writers in the script department, as directors in the production department, as actresses in radio drama. In every single phase of radio, women are doing important jobs and doing them well. But jobs aren't passed around on a silver platter. These women had to work, and observe, and profit by experience before they got where they are today.

"If you are hoping to write, act, direct, sing, or get any kind of a job in radio, one thing is certain.

You should begin working toward a radio job while you are still in college . . ."

Listen to what some of radio's successful women advise.

Bertha Brainard, commercial program manager of NBC, one of the most important executive positions, considers books on radio, helpful for background and terminology—"But in the final analysis, there is nothing better than experience. . . . If possible get a job with a small station. Any kind of a job. In a small station you learn to do everything, from dusting desks to building and producing complete programs. There's no other way to get such a variety of training—such a panorama of experience."

Marion Pullar, head play reader at NBC, who "reads forty or fifty unsolicited scripts a day, and considers it a red letter day if she finds one or two in the whole lot that she can use," says—"If you're going to write a play, write about something which is familiar to you. Don't waste your time on adaptations of popular short stories or novels. Each radio network has its own staff of expert script writers, who, when an adaptation is wanted, make it. Then too there are the laws of copyright. . . . Original plays are greatest in demand. You must pick a subject and a plot which will be as interesting to the person in California as it is to the Bostonian. An experience on the boat to Bermuda won't necessarily interest the whole nation."

Martha Cuthbert, director of Women's activities at NBC, thinks the most important factor in radio is speaking—"Some people have radio personality and others are completely nil. Many speakers, though they have plenty of pep and personality when they're talking to a visible audience, go completely flat when they stand up in front of a microphone. There is a strange, exciting quality in the voices of all the successful radio personalities which interests the listener. It's a kind of radio 'It,' and if you don't have it, it's a major battle to cultivate it."

"There are undoubtedly those among you who want to become actresses in radio drama. Of all the different fields in radio this is the most competitive—what with the many frustrated stage actors and actresses who are now trying to put their talents on the air. . . . You have to be exceptionally good to break in here. Radio can make use of so much talent, and then it reaches the saturation point. . . . The average radio station stays on the air sixteen hours out of the

twenty-four. Less than twenty per cent of this time is devoted to radio drama—which means there is a pretty definite limit to the number of opportunities in this field."

Marjorie Loeber, head of dramatic auditions at NBC, the person who listens to these six minute tryouts, thinks the best way to approach an audition is "simply to forget the microphone. Don't worry if your slip happens to show. Nobody cares. We want to hear what you can do, and we don't want preliminary apologies. . . . An audition is no place for a defeatist complex."

"Ranking vocalists on big commercial programs don't reach the top in one jump. When Lucille Manners started out she was a filing clerk in Newark, doing odd fifteen minute programs over WOR during her lunch hour." Her advice: "Make sure you really have a voice, and that it's a voice qualified for radio. . . . Go to a reliable singing teacher. . . . Ask him if he thinks you have enough talent to go into radio. . . . If he doesn't think you have, take his word for it. But, if he thinks your future looks bright, go ahead."

Helen Claire, after more than a year learning to get her voice under control says—"Have an independent income you can fall back on before you come to New York. And don't expect to be a sure-fire hit, just because you were the star of your school dramatics club. Most important, don't come to New York unless you are absolutely convinced that you have talent, unless you are prepared to take all sorts of disappointments."

For a girl who has had no training or experience in radio, the only jobs for which she might be eligible at a big broadcasting company are stenographic and secretarial jobs. You don't need to have had a college education for a secretarial job, but it helps a lot. If you have had an extra good course in English, some dramatic experience, at least a smattering of musical training, your chances are even better. . . . In the secretarial field there are positions that require initiative and imagination—much more than in the average secretarial position. The great drawback is that there are, relatively, so few of these jobs that the competition for openings is much keener."

Why Should an Alumnus Continue to Pay?

Why should an alumnus continue to pay in the name of his fraternity? If he could purchase for some young member whose future is of moment to him some of the things which the fraternity, with his help, might offer, no price would seem too great. If the fraternity has any meaning, it is that we are our brother's keeper; and when brother helps brother, it is the helper who pays. We should never be a party to reversing the order.—Duerr, in *Banta's Greek Exchange*.

Birthday Parties

In Hawaii

Via Clipper Ship

BESIDE snow-capped turquoise breakers on the golden sands of Waikiki, Thetas of Hawaii gathered on Founders'-day January 27. At the famous House-without-a-key, Halekulani hotel, now the traditional meeting-place for this occasion, thirty-four of the fifty-four Thetas known to be in Hawaii, assembled to celebrate the seventieth birthday of the fraternity.

Charlotte Hall, Upsilon, Theta's inspiration and guide in the Islands, was responsible for the lovely table decorations; while Betty Alden Carter, Phi, had charge of the program. A miniature of Bettie Locke Hamilton which marked the place of each Theta, was the clever work of Bette Losse, Beta Epsilon. Attractive identification tags with black and gold ribbons were presented as each Theta signed the register.

Lauhala baskets filled with cup-of-gold blossoms and rich croton leaves, flanked by hibiscus and ferns decorated the two wings of the horseshoe-shaped table. The four black candles in yellow candle-holders at the head of the table were surrounded by royal ilima leis, sprigs of bittersweet, and pansies.

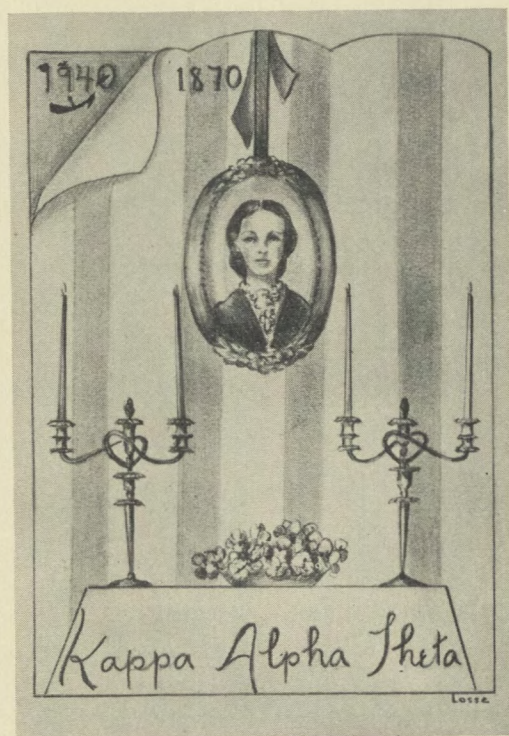
Marjorie Curry Williams, Phi, conducted the candle-lighting ceremony following the reciting of the Preamble by all present. Louise Webber Armitage, Alpha Nu, then sang most effectively the beautiful *Theta Prayer*. This inspiring tribute to Bettie Locke Hamilton was read by Charlotte Hall:

"It seems most fitting at this time, as we meet to honor the four Founders of our fraternity, that we pause for a moment in special homage to the one who first conceived the idea of a college woman's fraternity, and, together with her three companions, lighted the flame in the name of Kappa Alpha Theta which has remained burning ever brighter throughout these past seventy years.

"Today on the actual Birthday of Kappa Alpha Theta, we do honor to a true pioneer: one who was a positive influence for good;

one who helped to make history; one who had the courage of her convictions.

"A true pioneer looks upon life, not only with courage, but also with *perseverance*, with *independence*, with *faith*.



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"Today pioneers are needed in the realm of social living as well as in the field of human understanding. If we, as members of Kappa Alpha Theta, do our share along these important lines, we shall truly prove the value of the ideals that inspired the founding of our fraternity, and thus show our loyalty to Bettie Locke Hamilton, Alice Allen Brant, Bettie Tipton Lindsay, Hannah Fitch Shaw."

A clever toast in rhyme, *How Theta can make Schofield a better place*, by Mabel Renwick Hughes, Alpha Upsilon, for Founders'-day luncheon here in 1922, picturing most graphically the living conditions at the Schofield post in its early days, was read by Elvira

Swanson Cronk, Alpha Sigma, of present-day Schofield Barracks.

The Birthday Pansy gathered up the pennies for the Friendship fund, and the ceremonies concluded with the singing of Hawaii's Chain chant.

The thirty-four Thetas who gathered around the luncheon table represented twenty chapters with Omicron heading the list with four: Beta, Ethel R. McCain; Delta, Elizabeth Kennedy; Omicron, Martha Baird, Janet Smith, Carolyn Martin, Doris Luellen; Tau, Elizabeth Allyn; Upsilon, Charlotte Hall; Phi, Betty Alden Carter, Marjorie Curry Williams, Janet Streat; Psi, Jette Lee Luellen; Omega, Lili Langstroth; Alpha Beta, Lucile Abrams Cubbison; Alpha Gamma, Frances Hester; Alpha Kappa, Lelia Brady; Alpha Lambda, Marie Sullivan Cooke; Alpha Nu, Louise Armitage, Julia Beck, Hazel Vial; Alpha Xi, Helen Driver Stewart; Louise Edwards; Olga Burns; Alpha Pi, Helen Hayes; Florence Reid Begg; Alpha Sigma, Irene Cook, Elvera Cronk; Alpha Upsilon, Marjorie Herrig Champeny; Beta Epsilon, Mildred Newton, Bette Losse; Beta Theta, Ethal Richmond White; Beta Xi, Druzella Terry, Hazel Hammond, Mary Cobb.

Christmas greetings were received from Grand Council, and these former club members: From Arkansas, Mary Clippinger Scott, Little Rock; Wisconsin, Minnie H. Hurley, Milwaukee; California, Mary Borncamp Edinger, Alhambra, Ruth Dulaney Waterman, Fresno; Illinois, Laura Schieffelin Wilbur, Highland Park; South America, Mary Elizabeth Wilson, Pernambuco, Brazil; Minnesota, Jessie Drummond Anderson, Minneapolis; Lou Lansburgh Hyland, New York City; Washington, Miriam and Maryly La Follette, Colfax, Margaret Rawlings, Spokane.

We deeply appreciate being remembered by Thetas who have been of our number in previous years, as much as six years ago in one instance, and we send to each one of them our sincere ALOHA.

HAZEL VIAL, *Alpha Nu*

In Philadelphia

With Genevieve Forbes Herrick of Washington, as guest of honor, 117 Thetas attended the Founders'-day luncheon of Philadelphia alumnae chapter at the Robert Morris hotel,

January 27. Twenty-seven chapters were represented.

Eleanor Dutton Baldwin (Mrs F. Bruce) vice president, presided in the absence of Elizabeth McGowan Janda (Mrs L. T.) due to illness. Marjorie Benton Haviland (Mrs J. T.) introduced Mrs Herrick who paid a tribute to the four Founders of Kappa Alpha Theta and described the fraternity's seventieth birthday as "a meeting place of history and of hope."

"As we look at our badge," she said, "we want to see that the lustre does not tarnish, that the point isn't too sharp. We want the kite to soar, but we also want it to keep attached to the ground."

From her experience as a Washington newspaper correspondent, Mrs Herrick pointed out comparisons between life on a college campus and in Congress, and spoke of women prominent in national affairs who are fraternity members.

On Theta's honor roll she named Mrs William Douglas, wife of the Supreme Court Justice; Mary Margaret McBride, "Martha Deane" of the radio; Genevieve Beaver Earle, first and only woman member of the city council of New York City; Cornelia Stratton Parker, writer and philosopher; Mary Ritter Beard, historian and collaborator with her husband, Charles Beard; Helen Jacobs, tennis star; Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, author of *The Yearling*; and Dorothy James, daughter of the governor of Pennsylvania.

Contributions totalling \$28.76 for the Friendship fund were announced. Louise Campion was chairman of arrangements.

LAURA LOU BROOKMAN

Sacramento, California

Kappa Alpha Theta's Alumnae Founders'-day Dinner

Tables were decorated lavishly in black and gold for Kappa Alpha Theta alumnae's Founders'-day dinner in Del Paso country club Friday. It was 70 years ago at DePauw university that four young women organized the first Theta chapter. Mrs Stanley Freeborn of Berkeley was toastmistress for the dinner.

Mrs Folger Athearn of Berkeley, Grand treasurer of the national organization, and Mrs

Dudley Clarke of the same city, District president, were honored guests.

From our guests we learned of the problems and joys of college chapter life today.

New York City

Founders'-day dinner was a most successful and enjoyable occasion, though we were all saddened by the loss of Bettie Locke Hamilton during the past year. Our president, Aillean Trimble, presided graciously and effectively and there were interesting speakers.

Nell McQuilan, Psi, a special assistant to the Department of justice, gave us a "scoop" on the indictment against the building union which "broke" in the papers the next day. She had her picture on the front page of the *World telegram* and interesting write-ups in all the New York papers.

Genevieve Beaver Earle, Alpha Kappa, the only woman on City council, of whom we are most proud, gave an interesting talk on her work and also good advice for anyone interested in entering political life.

Marion Reade, Beta Kappa, gave her interpretation of Gas-light heroines. (see page 222) She is a sister of Dorothy Tomlinson.

HARRIETTE OLIVER FORBES, *Alpha Phi*

Reno

Founders'-day banquet had the large attendance of eighty-four members.

In addition to honoring Theta's four Founders we honored the twenty-five charter members of Beta Mu and the members initiated in the afternoon. These charter members attended the banquet: Marian Muth Trabert, first president of Beta Mu, Evelyn Walker Reed, Leona Bergman Fowler, Lois Smythe Bicknell, Helen Fuss Atkinson, Helen Halley, Dr Effie Mack, and Avis Lothrop Newing who made a special trip from Redding, California to be with us.

The banquet was in charge of Helen Cameron, college chapter, and Eleanor Fisher alumnae chapter. The toastmistress was Wilma Jones. Responses were given by Alyce Savage, Marion Ducker, Shirley Fuetsch, and Jo Ann Record. Evelyn Walker Reed gave a résumé of the activities of the chapter since its founding in 1922 and included interesting events

relative to the granting of Beta Mu's charter and its installation.

An important item on the program was the signing of our Scholarship book which has a traditional place in Founders'-day celebration. Two girls were privileged to sign because they had placed on the University Honor Roll; Georgia Ereno and Merle Young.

GLADYS MORRIS McDONNELL

Cleveland

Though snow and zero weather combined to blanket Cleveland with an unusually cold January 27, a large group of Thetas in gala mood met to celebrate Founders'-day.

Following the lighting of the Founders' candles by Mabel Dawson, our president, Katharine Murlin, committee chairman conducted a beautiful ceremony of chapter recognition which we hope may become a permanent part of our Founders'-day. As she called the chapter roll in order of founding, a Cleveland Theta from that chapter rose and lit a candle, so that literally we saw lighted before us the progress of Kappa Alpha Theta through the years, and were in a mood to sing *From coast to coast*, realizing that here in Cleveland we have Thetas from 44 chapters from Vermont to California, and from Toronto to Texas.

Mary Rieman Maurer, president of District I, was our kite-bedecked speaker, wearing five beautiful pins with interesting histories. In speaking on *Forever yours*, she gave us an account of the evolution of our badge, and an intimate picture of our Founders, pointing out that we are, in fact, a group of individualists. Especially interesting were her remarks about Bettie Locke Hamilton whom she knew well and visited often. She is full of Theta lore, and says with pride in her voice, and awe in her lovely brown eyes, "These hands, these very hands, touched and held the original secretary's book, just think of it!"

She showed the charts on Theta badges which many saw at last convention.

MARY LOU BRASSEUR

In Virginia

Down where the South begins—in a dazzling blanket of seventeen inches of snow, and a thermometer reading of zero—the Norfolk and Richmond alumnae clubs and Beta Lambda

celebrated Founders'-day on January 27, at historic Williamsburg, where our national government began.

With highways clogged with snow and stalled cars, and trains running behind schedule, the problem of getting to Williamsburg was a major one. Our speaker, Eleanor Dilworth, allowed herself plenty of time and left Baltimore the day before the luncheon. The further south she came the worse the weather got. Dily spent Friday night in Richmond, and Saturday, she and the Richmond Thetas arrived in frozen cars, buses and taxis at the railroad station in time to catch the one train for Williamsburg. We all sacrificed good sleep to reach the station in time, and there we learned that the train was 45 minutes late! We heard from the Norfolk-Portsmouth delegation that their ferry across Hampton Roads almost needed an ice-breaker. A few adventuresome folks, whose cars were wearing chains, did brave the highways. The alumnae and actives in Williamsburg were the lucky ones—they could walk.

Doubts as to the advisability of holding the celebration bothered us all the way to Williamsburg, but imagine our delight when a count of noses disclosed thirty-nine hardy Thetas, unafraid of snow and cold. We all admitted later that the pioneering spirit surged within us as we trudged through the snow drifts.

At the luncheon, in the delightful Colonial atmosphere of the Williamsburg lodge, our toastmistress, Margaret Richardson Anderson introduced Miss Dilworth who spoke about life in 1870, and urged our attendance at the Grand convention in Mackinac. With songs and toasts and good fellowship, we honored our Founders and cemented Theta friendship throughout the state. The event was a huge success, due to the hard work of Georgia Stripp Rowe and Gail Bone Thornton. We hope to make it an annual event.

Eleven chapters from coast to coast were represented: Alpha, Katherine Long Richman; Gamma, Marie Downs Wilson; Iota, Katherine Skehan; Omega, Mary Neilson Bierer; Gamma deutron, Margaret Richardson Anderson; Alpha Delta, Eleanor Dilworth; Alpha Mu, Kitty Carroll Doubles, Elizabeth Neff Erckman; Alpha Nu, Georgia Stripp Rowe; Alpha Chi, Gail Bone Thornton; Beta

Beta, Ruth Parker Gibbs, May Frances Tuttle L'Anson, Minnie Brooks Parker, Sara Jane Reese, Estelle Wright; Beta Lambda, Charlotte Bagot, Ruth Barton, Ernestine Renn Boyce, Betty Boyd, Kitty Britton, Evelyn Byrd, Beverly Coleman, Elizabeth Jane Cook, Kay Donald, Elizabeth Lee Henderson, Kay Hoover, Betty Irwin, Elizabeth Kent, Peggy Loughner, Joan Lehman, Katharine Spratley Metts, Helen Melvin, Patty Nichols, Emily Sanford Read, Mary Ribble, Nannie Smoot, Ada Stuart, Ruth Wills, Carol White.

Oklahoma City

Founders'-day banquet was January 29 at the Oklahoma club, a joint celebration for this city's alumnae chapter, the college members of Alpha Omicron and Beta Zeta, the alumnae clubs of Norman and Stillwater.

Martha Russell Sturm and Betty Reed Rogers, in charge of arrangements, effectively employed the decorative theme of *Thetas over the world*, with the use of foreign dolls loaned by members. Four beautiful dolls, dressed in costumes of the period of the founding of the fraternity, were placed on the tables with four candles to represent the Founders. These candles were lighted by Phyllis Brooks, Martha Russell Sturm, Alberta Connor Boyle and Phoebe Larimore Savage, in a ceremony memorial. Other candles in gold Russian holders were lighted by representatives of college chapters. An interesting talk was made by Margaret Archdeacon Darrough about the distribution of Thetas over the world. (see page 217)

Lois Emery Kneeland, Maude Bandel Kite, Irene Croom Cox and Dorella Kinnebrew gave the ritualistic program under Toastmistress Ann Randel Hickox.

Billie Gary, Alpha Omicron, president, and Carolyn Richardson, Beta Zeta, president, received for their chapters gifts presented by the alumnae.

Beta Zeta pledges gave a humorous stunt and Alpha Omicron pledges interpreted the founding of Kappa Alpha Theta in an amusing as well as enlightening manner. Posing for movies made by Mary Ashbrook furnished a diverting climax of the occasion.

IRENE CROOM FOX

Burlington

Burlington alumnae and Lambda observed Founders'-day with an informal dinner at the chapter house at which about fifty Thetas were present. No formal program was given, but all greatly enjoyed the evening of sociability and good fellowship.

MARY R. BATES

Detroit

January 13, ninety Thetas met at the University Club for Founders'-day luncheon. Mrs Bowman, president of District III, was the guest speaker. All of Eta's active chapter attended and Mary Minor, its president, introduced each member by telling from what city the girl came and in what activities she was interested on campus.

RACHEL FLEMING STIMPSON

Boston

Since there's no college chapter in Boston, this alumnae chapter is pretty dependent upon its own yester-year resources for entertainment and a revival of Theta spirit.

Founders'-day banquet, January 26, found thirty-three of us gathering at the Harvard Faculty club for a delicious dinner followed by the ritual in memory of our Founders and an informal session of games . . . most notable of which was the *Information please*, Fadimanned by Willie Trost Shattuck, Psi, who also had charge of banquet arrangements.

The board of inexperts was stumped at more than one turn, but what they lacked in the way of mental acumen was more than made up for by the "stoooodents," who seemed to have a store of intimate knowledge about all the stellar lights of Theta world.

Kathryn Brooks Gibson, Alpha Iota, our president, presided at the dinner and ritual. Virginia Allport Bird, Alpha Mu, read her secretary's résumé of the year's activities since Founders'-day 1939, to help new members catch up on our doings.

1940 looks like a bigger and better year for the Boston chapter—thanks in no small measure to Kathryn Gibson's gracious presidency and to Willie Shattuck's excellent work as vice president in charge of program.

BETTINA RAGLAND ELLIOTT, *Upsilon*

Grand Forks

Alumnae and college members of Kappa Alpha Theta joined in paying tribute to the Founders of the organization on the seventieth anniversary at a dinner in the Flickertail room at the Dacotah hotel.

Mrs J. F. Price presided for the program and presented Mrs Horace Webster of Northwood who spoke on traditions and circumstances in connection with the founding. College members represented by the Misses Marian Lund, Ruth Collinson, Margaret Cashel and Patricia Healey with Eleanor Wold as soloist, conducted the ritualistic observance. A trio composed of Doris McIntosh, Mildred Lommen and Doretta Peterson sang chapter songs. Mrs A. M. Lommen paid special tribute to Mrs Betty Locke Hamilton, one of the Founders, who died last September.

In addition to Mrs Webster, out-of-town alumnae were Mrs A. C. Strand, Mrs George Countryman and Mrs Howard F. Hills, all of Grafton. Covers were laid for 45. Mrs Philip R. Bangs and Mrs Foster P. Rutherford were in charge of the dinner arrangements, with Mrs John A. Page and Mrs Armin Rohde of the program.

Conventionites Read This

Transportation

The New York Central system will run a Theta special from Detroit, leaving at 11 P.M. Saturday night, June 29, arriving in Mackinaw City at 8:15 Sunday morning. Breakfast will be eaten on the train. The ferry will reach the island at 10 o'clock giving plenty of time to unpack and explore a bit before luncheon.

The return trip leaves the Island at 10:30 A.M. Friday, July 5 and arrives in Detroit at seven that evening, in time to connect with trains going east and west. Luncheon will be served on the special, but not dinner since between trains many people will want to eat with friends in Detroit.

The train will be all air conditioned equipment. For information about trains from your home town to Detroit, the New York Central representative where you live has all convention data and will be glad to help you. Questions the railroad men can't answer to your satisfaction should be referred to the convention manager, Eleanor Dilworth, 3306 Wind-sor av. Baltimore, Md.

The May issue of this magazine will contain a blank for hotel and train reservations. You buy your own tickets routing them as you wish. You must *reserve* your hotel room and your berth on the Special, by filling out and mailing the blank mentioned above.

Railroad Rates

These rates are quoted as samples. They are last summer's quotations, because 1940 summer rates are not yet published. These may be slightly different. Be sure to consult your local ticket agent, who if unable to advise you will call to your aid a New York Central representative who will know how to route you the best and most economical way.

First class fares, Round trip to Mackinac Island, 30 day limit. From:

Atlanta, Ga.	\$ 50.85
Calgary, Alta.	111.20
Chicago, Ill. (via Detroit)	24.85
Cleveland, Ohio	27.50
Detroit, Mich.	18.60
Houston, Tex.	56.05

Indianapolis, Ind.	29.30
Montreal, Que.	50.95
New Orleans, La.	55.35
New York, N.Y.	55.65
Pacific Coast cities	123.70
Toronto, Ont.	30.25
Washington, D.C.	52.45

Grand Hotel Rates—American Plan

Room for two or more without bath (There are only a limited number)	\$6.50 per day per person
Room for two or more with bath	\$7.50 per day per person
Single room with bath	\$8.50 per day

Suggested Post Convention Trips

You might like to take the train to Buffalo and see Niagara Falls. You might enjoy a trip on the St. Lawrence via Canadian Steamship lines, stopping at Montreal and Quebec, and then going to New York. This trip could be extended to include the beautiful Saguenay river. You might want to take the lake steamer of the Chicago, Duluth and Georgian Bay company which leaves the Island Friday morning bound for Chicago. Such trips will be listed in detail in the May magazine, and an opportunity be given for you to sign up for any one of them you wish to take.

Post Convention Trip Costs

These are *approximate* prices because they will vary according to the way your ticket is routed. Meals are included.

Trip A to Niagara Falls one day	\$ 15.00
Trip B St. Lawrence, etc. five days	70.00
Trip C St. Lawrence and the Saguenay seven days	100.00
(Trips B and C end at New York, and include a stay at the Chateau Frontenac in Quebec.)	
Trip D Lake steamer to Chicago overnight ..	16.50

Clothes

Even in the first week of July the weather may be quite cool, especially in the evening, so be sure to bring a top coat and warm sweater. You will need a tennis racquet, your golf clubs, and a bathing suit, as well as shorts or

a play suit for hiking and biking, if you want to indulge in such sports. *Don't Forget Comfortable, Flat-Heeled Shoes.* The banquet will be formal. Costume party plans will be in the next issue. We understand that it will center about "hats with character." Otherwise, summer clothes, with perhaps one wool dress, and a raincoat so that it will not rain.

Baggage

Baggage is limited absolutely to *two* suitcases per person. Bags have to be transferred from train to ferry; then they go to the hotel via wagon. There will be a small baggage charge, and a considerably higher one for anyone with more than two pieces of luggage.

Automobiles

You may drive to Mackinaw City which is 300 miles from Detroit and 400 from Chicago. There is also a good road through Wisconsin along the western shore of Lake Michigan to St. Ignace. Cars must be left in garages in either Mackinaw City or St. Ignace and the ferry taken over to the Island. Rental space is fifty cents a night.

If you can arrange it, we hope that you will

drive to Detroit, leave your car there and make the rest of the trip on the Theta Special. It is true that this is somewhat more expensive for a group of people, but it is a time saver, and has the great advantage of giving you an opportunity of getting acquainted early.

Convention Hostesses

District III will be the official hostess district for the Grand convention at Mackinac, June 30 to July 5, 1940.

Detroit alumnae chapter and Lansing alumnae club will provide the Executive committee for the convention. The committee: Chairman, Evelyn Widman Tunncliffe, Eta; social functions, Katherine Rice Broock, Beta; registration and credentials, Elizabeth Blackwood, Eta; marshal, Frances Harvey Neller, Beta Pi; courtesy, Kathryn Clark Batten, Alpha Gamma; publicity, Katherine Kenney, Psi. The first three represent Detroit alumnae, the last three, Lansing club.

Each member of the Executive committee will act as chairman of a committee, whose personnel will be chosen from the hostess district chapters and clubs. Committee personnel will be announced later.

Calling All Thetas

With the spring, we hope that your thoughts will turn to Theta convention. We also hope you remember that it will be at the Grand hotel, Mackinac Island, Michigan, June 30 to July 5. We are fortunate to have the hotel for these dates because the weather will not be so cool as it might be earlier.

The Island is just where Lake Huron meets Lake Michigan, so you may imagine how beautiful it is. To really feel its charm and quaintness you must see it. It is a particularly appropriate place for a Theta convention, as in one direction you look off to the Canadian shore, and in another to the United States; which, to paraphrase Stephen Leacock, form "an American Alliance," based on the unique mingling of history and populations, at such contact points as Mackinac.

There is a wealth of things to interest you.

The Grand hotel lives up to its name, with every comfort and attraction for a pleasant vacation. We are fortunate to have special rates which also will be available to members of your family or your friends who might accompany you. They will be glad to have any of us stay on at the hotel after convention at the same rate. The hotel is so large, outdoor activities so varied, that those who are not Thetas will find plenty to see and do while convention is in progress. There are tennis courts close to the hotel, a golf course across the road, a heated outdoor pool, and any number of lovely trails through the woods. You may bike or ride in the bicycle rolling chairs up to the highest point on the Island, or wander around the old fort that is so peaceful now. You will certainly want to tour in a carriage and will find that the drivers, who know thrill-

ing stories of the Indian fights in the old days, are as interesting as the sights along the way. Perhaps you will like the little town best of all with its narrow street near the dock crowded with every kind of horse drawn conveyance. You, know, of course, that no cars are allowed on the Island. The Grand hotel claims to have the longest front porch in America, so there is ample room for the most popular summer sport—rocking chairing.

So popular is Mackinac for fraternity conventions that we will be one of four to meet there this summer. The other three are the Delta trio—Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, and Delta Zeta—two before and one after the Kappa Alpha Theta house party.

Don't get the idea that Theta conventions

are all work and no play. There is nothing dull about them! Formal parties, informal parties, picnics, bridge, whatever you like, you will be sure to find, and always some peppy Thetas to do it with you. Meals will be planned with special attractions and presided over by different chapters and clubs of District III, the hostesses. One entire half day will be free of meetings and conferences, so that every one may do the things she most wants to do.

Plan right now to come to Mackinac for your vacation and bring your family with you for a Fourth of July jaunt.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to address them to Eleanor Dilworth, 3306 Windsor avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

'39 Key Books

SEVEN books by American authors were among the ten selected by the Literary advisory board of *Current history* magazine as the "most important non-fiction books of 1939." . . .

The list follows:

Abraham Lincoln: the war years, by Carl Sandburg.

The revolution of Nihilism, by Herman Rauschnig.

Thoreau, by Henry Seidel Canby.

America in midpassage, by Charles A. and Mary R. Beard.

The life of Greece, by Will Durant.

Propaganda for war, by H. C. Peterson.

Inside Asia, by John Gunther.

Days of our years, by Pierre van Paassen.

Union now, by Clarence Streit.

Wind, sand and stars, by Antoine de Saint Exupery.

. . . All the prize winners are Americans except Rauschnig, a German; von Paassen, a native of the Netherlands, and Saint Exupery, a Frenchman.—*N.Y. Herald-tribune*, 19 Ja '40

One member of Kappa Alpha Theta appears on the list, Mary Ritter Beard of Alpha, co-author with her husband of *America in midpassage*.

A Rushing Tip

(From the Editor's dinner at NPC)

OUR especial treat of the evening was Miss Jackie Martin, Delta Gamma, who is head of the photographic department of the *Washington times-herald*.

If you weren't a camera enthusiast before hearing her talk about her fascinating profession of newspaper photography, you certainly were one afterward. You were impressed with the importance of photography in the recording of history, be it the history of a nation

or the history of a chapter. A chapter would have a pictorial record of its parties, its honors, its every day collegiate living, if the most alert camera fan member were appointed chapter photographer to be "on deck" on all occasions ready to "shoot." It would be an album, fun to look at in years to come, and one that would surely have current use during rushing. Why not picture your chapter life!—*Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly*, Ja '40.

In Memoriam

Sara Levy Steiner (Mrs Edward) *Alpha*

Died in January 1940

Constance Addington Davenport (Mrs F. B.) *Gamma*

Died in January 1937

Jennie Hannah Brown (Mrs H. U.) *Gamma*

Died December 9, 1939

Sallie Jane Harris Sears (Mrs R. V.) *Gamma deutron*

Died December 14, 1939

Margaret Washburn, *Iota*

Died October 29, 1939

Anna Higginbotham Johnson (Mrs O. N.) *Alpha Omicron*

Died December 12, 1939

Radio Education

THERE are almost as many definitions of education as there are educators. So when Dr James Rowland Angell joined the "college of the air," David Sarnoff, president of RCA, who has defined education as "one of those umbrella words that cast a wide or narrow shadow, depending whether you keep it opened or closed," asked his definition, Dr Angell replied:

"Any program may be regarded as educational in purpose which attempts to increase knowledge, to stimulate thinking, to teach technique and methods, to cultivate discernment, appreciation and taste, to enrich character by sensitizing emotion and by inspiring socialized ideals that may issue in constructive conduct. Education is essentially the progress by which individuals come to adjust themselves intelligently to life." . . .

Two years having passed since he became educational counselor for NBC, Dr Angell now sums up the microphone's role in education as "public service." He is convinced that radio has a definite and gigantic role as a teacher, but as such it is in competition with commercialism, which does not always go hand in hand harmoniously with art. . . .

"But let me tell you teaching by radio is no 'shotgun job.' When I came to radio I wasn't so sure that there was an audience for the Greek classics. Now I know there is; I've come to feel, too, that the audience is less homogeneous.

"I know also that school broadcasts must

be what we call 'listenable.' The task is to make ideas vivid to children, and we find that the best method often is dramatization. . . . It is a high tribute to the music appreciation concerts of Dr Walter Damrosch that the schools are willing to upset their curriculums to listen. We estimate . . . that from four to six million school children are in tune with the Damrosch programs.

"The same sort of evidence leads us to believe that 500,000 high school students are listening to the 'Great plays' on Sundays," continued Dr Angell. "Aware of the audience receptive of music and drama, which, of course, are naturals for radio, we now are attempting to do for pictorial art what radio has done for music. The response has been most encouraging; within forty-eight hours after the opening broadcast of 'Art for your sake,' we received 2,000 requests for the colored prints of masterpieces, which the announcer mentioned as being available. Since then, that is October 14, more than 100,000 of the pictures have been mailed. . . .

"It's an effort, believe me," he continued, "to cover the wide range of intellects in a radio audience that may count 30,000,000. We are aware, however, that there is a wide range of intellects not covered by the jazz bands.

"Teaching on the air cannot be as dry as dust. It must be entertaining and possess an emotionally intellectual value."—*New York Times*, 3 D '39

Magazine Mailing Lists

Eleven-Hundred-Seventeen Changes for ONE Issue

THROUGH the courteous thoughtfulness of Thetas who have moved, or married, the aid of chapter secretaries, and State chairmen, 620 changes for the mailing list have been received between the mailing of the January 1940 issue and today (February

13). The postoffices of the nation have provided new addresses for 375 more Thetas. But—the postoffices have also returned 137 copies of the issue because the Thetas to whom they were addressed had "gone, left no address," and similar reasons. The names of the 122

that have not sent later information follow, in the hope that some who read this may know where some of them are, so all of them will not go permanently into the "lost file."

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Chapter News

ALPHA—*DePauw*

Theta's Christmas present to itself came just before vacation when Lois Saunders, Wilmette, Illinois, was pledged.

Leap Year came to our campus with a bang! Beginning on the first Monday after Christmas vacation, we had "Gold-diggers' week," when girls made up for lost time by asking all their "secret passions" for dates. The week was confusing for every one—especially for boys who aren't quite used to having doors opened for them or getting their coca colas gratis.

The climax came Saturday with the Gold-diggers' ball. Thetas gave a banquet for their dates before the dance, and had sixty some people eating T-bone steak and French fries in the dining room and library. The dance was in the gym with Gene Kellams and his orchestra. On the walls were effective posters of famous gold-diggers, ranging from Cleopatra to Mae West.

For the Grand March, the Association of women students elected Gerry Thiele and Jo Anne Clippinger as maids-of-honor in the Gold-diggers' court. Instead of the usual Queen, a King, Professor Jerry Warren, was crowned. The evening was a hilarious success, but no one was particularly sorry when on Sunday things went back to normal and boys were again the date-getters.

MARGERY MILLER

31 January 1940

Born: To Mr and Mrs William Curtis Baise (Helen George) a son, David George Baise, Aug. 9, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs Ivar Hilstad (Sara Hollopeter) a daughter, Margot Ann Hilstad, Aug. 17, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs E. D. Cree (Ann Burkert) a daughter, Ruth Ann, Oct. 12, 1938.

New addresses: Dorothy Wurst, 4125 Fir st. E. Chicago, Ind.—Frances Hester Mundell (Mrs R. B.) 9128 Bennett ave. Evanston, Ill.—Sarah Ritchie Engeler (Mrs J. E.) 1969 E. 82 st. Cleveland, O.—Virginia Fowler Heth (Mrs T. C.) 300 W. Clinton, Frankfort, Ind.—Barbara Miller, 612 W. 115 st. New York, N.Y.—Frances Dickey Naftzger (Mrs C. R.) Box 50, Andrews, Ind.

Married: Jeanne Smith and Vance J. Chattin, Washington, Ind.—Isabelle Conarroe and John Edison Brock, Dec. 26. 758 S. Harrison, Frankfort, Ind.—Catherine Casady and Bonner Wilkinson.—Betty Eilen-

berger and James VanHorn jr. Sept. 9. 209½ S. Maple st. Sturgis, Mich.—Virginia Carol Layman and Charles Russel Brown, Feb. 3, 2124 Mt. Vernon ave. Toledo, O.

BETA—*Indiana*

Our formal Christmas dinner was one of the happiest events of our Christmas season. Guests of honor were two underprivileged children. Since it was quite probable that Santa would forget these two little girls, we played Santa and gave them each a doll, dress, sweater, hat, pair of gloves, and some games. How their eyes widened when the turkey dinner was brought in! And how their eyes sparkled as they hurriedly unwrapped their gifts under the huge, gaily-lighted Christmas tree! We all went to bed that night with happy hearts.

Amid those two fleeting, helter-skelter weeks, between the end of Christmas holidays and the beginning of finals, two of our most important events took place. The first, our Snowball formal dance, January 6, in the setting of a fairy Snowland. We are proud of Phoebe Revington and her committee for the clever decorations which helped to make our dance a success. The second important event was our annual election of officers. Having transferred successfully the crammed knowledge from our heads to final examination papers, we have relaxed, taken a fresh breath of air, and started in the grind of a new semester.

KATHRYN JANE ALEXANDER

30 January 1940

New addresses: Helen McIntyre Bird (Mrs Cyrus) 609 Michigan st. Evanston, Ill.—Ruth Kirby, c/o A. C. Baumann, 1650 E. Newton st. Milwaukee Wis.—Frances McNutt Nelson (Mrs S. W.) 33 N. Menard st. Chicago Ill.—Joan Horton Parry (Mrs. L. V.) 116½ McCullough blvd. Muncie, Ind.—Juel Kennedy Jewett (Mrs George) 800 E. Main st. New Albany, Ind.—Mary Hillis Harris, 730 Statler Bldg. Boston, Mass.

Born: Dec. 25, 1939, a daughter, Susan Mount, to Mr and Mrs N. T. Joyner (Virginia Mount) 403 Hazlitt av. Leonia, N.J.

Married: Helen Higginbotham to William L. Hermann, July 30. 2240 Park av. Apt. 3, Indianapolis, Ind.—Gladys Anne Daugherty to Gordon Dale Kimball, Feb. 3, 207 E. Washington st. Attica, Ind.

GAMMA—*Butler*

It is now 1940 and before the year has reached its half-way mark, Gamma expects to be installed securely in its new chapter house. With each added stone our excitement increases. We are provoked at the continued zero weather; for, though it just hits the spot for zealous ice skaters, it slows up building construction.

December 13 we had our Christmas party, which began with serenading fraternities and faculty homes with Christmas carols, followed by a riotous one hour stunt given by pledges, after which they further entertained with original Theta songs and a paper which "delicately" revealed a pledge's attitude. At midnight the seniors furnished the customary lunch, and presents were exchanged between the mothers and daughters of the chapter. Instead of buying gifts for the house our Mother's club, Indianapolis alumnae chapter, and Gamma actives, donated their Christmas money to the new house. December 20 the chapter had a wonderful dinner at the Indianapolis Athletic club and danced to the music of Doc Thrasher's orchestra.

We are most proud of our little Jeanette Barnette, late prexy, who won the distinction of election to Phi Kappa Phi.

In celebration of the end of finals January 25, Gamma had a midsemester dance at the Riviera club. It was lots of fun for we were allowed to bring guests and by midnight it resembled an interfraternity Panhellenic "free for all."

We are glad that Jean Pickett, Madeline Judd, Lucille Bosler, Barbara Fuller, were chosen by the men students for competition in *Drift Beauty* contest.

January 23 the President of Butler, Dr James Putnam, died after a month's illness. The whole campus mourned his death.

Apologies to Jean Smelser for omitting her name from the list of new initiates in the January letter.

BETTY HARGER

30 January 1940

New addresses: Louise Stewart Baker (Mrs. C. M.) 220 E. 12th st. Alton, Ill.—Frances Amick Johnson (Mrs. S. B.) 1705 N. Delaware st. Indianapolis, Ind.—Mary McCann Short (Mrs T. L.) R.R. 2, Lebanon, Ind.—Helen Marsh Ransom (Mrs R. B.) c/o Puerto

Rican Dept. San Juan, P.R.—Maurine Watkins, 1223 S.W. 17th terr. Miami, Fla.

Married: Julia Henderson and Glenn R. Negley, July 7. 507 S. Gregory st. Urbana, Ill.

Born: To Mr and Mrs H. F. Ostrom (Agnes Hinkle) a daughter, Cynthia Ann, June 22. 4564 Stratford av. Indianapolis, Ind.

GAMMA DEUTERON—*Ohio Wesleyan*

We are in the midst of final exams, but are working hard to win the annual Fun Fest. Fun Fest is sponsored by Wesleyan players, dramatic society, and each organized group presents a ten-minute comic skit on any desired subject. The boys usually play up political angles, while the girls present more feminine skits. Cups are awarded as first and second prizes.

January 27 we celebrated Founders'-day with a delightful banquet attended by both members and pledges. Dorothy Williams, former District president, was the guest speaker.

After claiming the bowling championship for the past two years, we lost in the final game to Gamma Phi Beta, by nine points.

Our winter formal, December 16, was wonderful. "Winter frolic" was the theme, and decorations consisted of icicles, snowballs, and snowmen all around the dance floor. Sweet swing music was furnished by Gill Crest and his orchestra.

Ann Ringle was in charge of one of the four studio plays given January 20. Marilyn Peavey is a new initiate of Kappa Delta Pi, educational group. Dorothy Benfield was one of the student soloists for the Christmas Cantata presented December 17.

MARJORIE WILKINS

28 January 1940

New addresses: Barbara Gould Walbridge (Mrs N. S.) 1175 Sunningdale dr. Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich.—Mrs Esther West Hamilton, 807 S. Broadway, New Philadelphia, Ohio.

Married: Marjorie Phillips Bierce to John J. Hartz, Oct. 14. 507 S. Third st. Gadsden, Ala.—Olive McClure to Arthur M. Scott, Oct. 21. 2 Birch av. Wheeling, W. Va.

DELTA—*Illinois*

We find studying much more enjoyable than ever before, for it is much easier to concentrate in the peace and quiet of our newly decorated study-room, which has been done over in a most modernistic manner.

At eleven o'clock every night, while enjoying

a light lunch, we relax and talk of the various campus activities in which Delta's members were outstanding, as well as of those to take place in the near future. In the University minstrel show, Miriam Whitfield was production chairman. In the Y.W.C.A. Doll show, Delta won honorable mention. Beverlie Briggs was elected to Phi Kappa Phi.

The few last days before Christmas vacation were particularly pleasant. Our annual party was most successful, and the night, on which we carolled the Champaign and Urbana alumnæ, was truly memorable.

When we return after the brief mid-semester vacation, which will immediately follow examinations, the foremost activity at Illinois will be the Woman's league show. Nancy Shaver, Molly Jean Wilson, Elizabeth Eshelman, Barbara Burke, Betty Lou Gibson, Mary Alice Coen and Miriam Whitfield will be working on this production. Meanwhile, our efforts are being concentrated in upholding Delta's scholarship average.

MIRIAM WHITFIELD

29 January 1940

New addresses: Roberta Thurman Martens (Mrs. W. S.) 348 Ravene rd. Hinsdale, Ill.—Marian Weidmann Short (Mrs. C. F. jr.) 311 E. Grove st. Oaks apts. Bloomington, Ill.

ETA—Michigan

Santa Claus was particularly good to Thetas. The week after vacation there were three engagement announcements, so the house had fifteen pounds of candy!

Two of our attractive sophomores, Margot Thom and Phyllis Waters, were elected to the court of honor for Soph Prom, January 19. Marjorie Forrestel was appointed co-chairman of properties for the Junior girls' play.

We attended Founders'-day luncheon in Detroit. There we were reminded of our Theta loyalties and met alumnæ from various colleges.

To add to our rejuvenated Theta enthusiasm Mrs Bowman, District president, visited us for three grand days, January 15 to 17. She impressed upon us the importance of our duties so that we can keep our record clean. We are now in the throes of final examinations, and social life is more or less at a standstill.

MARY LOUISE FINNEY

31 January 1940

New addresses: Mary Adair Lorch (Mrs R. E.) 167 Irving ter. Kenmore, N.Y.—Susan White Cooper (Mrs J. S.) 133 Sunningdale dr. Grosse Pointe, Mich.—Dorothy Briggs MacEwan (Mrs R. J.) 1649 Grenoble rd. Columbus, O.—Ida Buell Thompson (Mrs Kenneth) 437 W. Dayton st. Ferndale, Mich.—Marion Neilson, 32 E. 35th st. New York, N.Y.

Married: Jean Perry to Norman Griffin Sifly, Jan. 9. Whitman st. Orangeburg, S.C.—Elizabeth Barth to Charles VanWinkle, Dec. 25, 1939.

Born: To Mr and Mrs W. E. Pear (Charlotte Sands) a daughter, Ann Hutton, Nov. 24, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs McKelvey (Janet Upjohn) a daughter, Janet Ann, Jan. 14.

IOTA—Cornell

Studying for finals has been the chief activity since Christmas vacation. We are attempting to equal some of the fine averages of our last year's seniors.

The only social event since vacation was the observance of Founders'-day, which took the form of a buffet supper at the house in contrast to the formal luncheons which usually we have had. Alumnæ and all the active chapter, including pledges, were present and after supper sang Theta songs. A description of the founding of Kappa Alpha Theta was given by Mary Lowman supplemented with skits by four seniors.

Before Christmas we had a party for Chi. We had a wonderful time showing the Chi girls our house and campus, and hope it will pave the way for many more such parties.

Iota is happy to welcome Cecilia Werner, Alpha Psi, to Cornell. She is the new Social director of Willard Straight hall.

We all miss Jean Soule, who left college before Christmas because of sickness. She will, we hope, be back next term.

BARBARA BENSON

30 January 1940

Born: To Mr and Mrs Jack Shaw (Ruth McCurdy) a daughter, Linda, Nov. 26.—To Mr and Mrs Edward Armstrong (Marion Paul) a son, Paul, Nov. 25.—To Mr and Mrs H. J. Brueckner (Elinor Gibbs) a daughter, Susan Jane, in January.—To Prof and Mrs H. W. Briggs (Virginia Yoder) a daughter.—To Mr and Mrs Roger W. Jones (Dorothy Heyl) a second son, Edward Chapman, Jan. 19. Cynthia was 7 on Jan. 31 and Roger 5 on Feb. 18. 4308 Leland st. Chevy Chase, Md.—To Mr and Mrs H. E. Stavelly (Elizabeth Williams) a son, Dec. 27. Adelaide av. Highland Park, N.J.

New addresses: Ruth Ryerson Codrington (Mrs M. E.) 1808 Newkirk av. Brooklyn, N.Y.—Helen Spaulding Phipps (Mrs George) 16 Mason st. Winchester, Mass.—Dorothea Bentley, Erie Co. Home

bureau, 601 Root bldg. 70 W. Chippewa st. Buffalo, N.Y.

Married: Margaret Weber and Robert B. Adams, Nov. 4. 47-06 88th st. Apt. A 11, Elmhurst, L.I. N.Y.—Marion Blenderman and Herbert T. Brunn. 127 C st. N.E. Washington, D.C.

KAPPA—Kansas

Life featured the Thetas of the University of Kansas in the December 10 issue. The entire campus was buzzing with comment, and the chapter received stacks of fan mail from colleges all over the United States.

December 18 we had our annual formal Christmas dinner and gift exchange. The gifts were inexpensive gadgets accompanied by verses high-lighting the semester's foibles.

During Christmas vacation rush teas and luncheons were given in Kansas City, Missouri, Wichita, and Topeka. We welcome a new pledge, Kay Stinson of Leavenworth, formally pledged January 8.

Every one is happy to have the third floor smoking room restored after a semester of serving as second-best guest room. Kansas City Mothers' club is supervising the redecorating of the room. New linoleum and fire-proof furniture will streamline our favorite haven. The Mothers' club serves in the role of "guardian angel" for our chapter.

We are sorry that Mary Alice Hall of Long Beach, California, has left college.

Doris Johnson won the intramural ping-pong championship. Edna Givens and Judy Eidson are members of Glee club. Peggy Pat Hennessy is a member of the Modern choir. Marilyn McBride is secretary of the *Kansas* board. Edna Givens participated in the Advant student recital.

Pledges entertained their dates at a roller-skating party and chili supper the first weekend in January. Pledge president, Kathleen O'Sullivan was featured on the cover of the *Jayhawker* magazine.

Snow and ice and finals dominated the January scene and Thetas have moved into their snow-suits "for the duration." New class schedules, new room-mates, and change of rooms will liven the mid-winter routine.

MARILYN MCBRIDE

27 January 1940

Married: Catherine A. Heinlein and Challis A. Hall jr. 301A Holden Green, Cambridge, Mass.—Maude Hough and C. O. Miller jr. June 18. 137 N. Glendale st. Wichita, Kan.—Elizabeth Shearer and

Craig Leighton Gibson, Oct. 28. 4520 Main st. Kansas City, Mo.—Louise Taylor and Robert J. Anderson, Dec. 28, 1939. 1831 2d av. Minneapolis, Minn.

New addresses: Rachel Long Machir (Mrs C. R.) 5711 Goodman rd. Kansas City, Mo.—Dorothy Fry Stotts (Mrs C. S.) 3701 Walnut st. Kansas City, Mo.—Ferne Snyder Wallenstrom (Mrs J. C.) 201 Brush Creek, Kansas City, Mo.—Betty Gibson Hodges (Mrs M. H.) 446 S. Cherry st. Olathe, Kan.—Susanna Moody White (Mrs L. B.) 20 E. 13th st. New York, N.Y.—Charlene Rouse Norton (Mrs W. S.) 1344 C McCutcheon rd. Richmond Heights, Mo.—Dorothea Darrah Reeder (Mrs R. P. jr.) Care 33d Infantry, Fort Clayton, Canal Zone.

Born: To Mr and Mrs John Harris (Margaret Jennings) a daughter, Juliana, Nov. 24, 1939. 31 Devon rd. Newton Centre, Mass.—To Dr and Mrs Raymond B. Riley (Florence Campbell) a daughter, Susan Campbell, July 25. Bay City, Mich.

MU—Allegheny

Life at Mu had such a variety of highlights that it is difficult to choose which were most outstanding.

The first highlight was initiation, November 11, of Cleo Swanson, Ruth Salisbury, Lee Knoll, Phyllis Black, Barbara Barnhart, Virginia Kirk, Barbara Kough, Barbara Lawson, Nancy Martin, Helen Shaffer, Jean Street, Paulina Reaghart, and Virginia Viets. The initiation banquet was the same evening at Venango inn.

Mrs French, District president, arrived November 11. During the three days of her visit we had many interesting talks with her and gained valuable and helpful suggestions.

The next highlight was a tea served by our alumna scholarship adviser, Mrs Winkler, at her home. It was a pleasant change from college routine.

Colored lights, holly, and evergreen boughs provided the atmosphere for our formal, December 2. All afternoon busy girls worked to transform the Phi Delta Theta house with fragrant hemlock and pine. The dance was festive—and successful.

Alpha Chi Omega entertained us at tea December 4, where Mr F. F. Seely of the English department was a guest speaker. He gave an enlightening talk on propaganda in the news.

Our annual Christmas party was December 11. Each drew a slip upon which was written the gift she was to give to the chapter rooms. When the gifts were unwrapped each was accompanied by a gay verse.

JEAN MEGAHAN

1 February 1940

New addresses: Dorothea Abrams Johnston (Mrs P. W.) 22 Maynard ct. Ridgewood, N.J.—Margaret Webb Campbell (Mrs P. F.) 628 Highland av. Meadville, Pa.—Elvira Aronson Campbell (Mrs R. W.) 302 S. 4th st. Youngwood, Pa.—Margaret Wood Steele (Mrs J. E.) 106 Avon st. New Haven, Conn.

RHO—Nebraska

The opening formal event of the year, the R.O.T.C. Military ball, would have a difficult time opening without Theta support. Marian Kidd, Edith Knight, Ruth McMillan, and Betty Jean Peterson acted as company sponsors, and helped lead the Grand march. Right now Theta, still in the midst of a gala formal season, is looking forward to its own formal February 23. Betty Jane Dutch is in charge of arrangements.

Rho played hostess to two groups of children preceding the Christmas holidays. December 13 Theta alums brought their children to the chapter house. Santa Claus—one of our waiters made an excellent one—distributed presents, and the pledges presented *A little girl's dream* showing many Mother Goose characters, including a candy girl wearing lump sugar for jewelry and dressed in sugar sacks. December 18 the chapter played Drop the handkerchief and London bridge with the first graders of a nearby school. And again Santa Claus and pledges did their parts. Members returned to their childhood, and still are wondering whether it wasn't they who enjoyed it the most.

January 22, alums gave the chapter a buffet supper at the chapter house. Competing with last year's similar occasion was a difficult job, but this one was just as successful. A short service commemorated the four Founders of Kappa Alpha Theta.

HORTENSE CASADY

31 January 1940

Born: To Mr and Mrs C. F. Smaha (Ilah May Cottrell) a son, Stephen, Apr. 8, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs John Dalling (Isabel Krumm) a daughter, Dec. 25, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs J. H. Shickley (Linda Bell) a daughter in Nov. 1939.

New addresses: Julia Koester King (Mrs R. W.) 840 S. Santa Fe, Salina, Kan.—Marjorie Crabill Schwenk (Mrs C. W.) c/o Procter and Gamble, Kansas City, Kan.—Nellie Reavis McCleery (Mrs D. P.) Beatrice, Neb.—Dorothy VanPatten, 2201 Ridge av. Evanston, Ill.—Courtney Reeder Jones (Mrs D. J.) Wupatki National Monument, Flagstaff, Ariz.—Marjorie Smith Allen (Mrs N. A. jr.) c/o General

Delivery, Administration bldg. Balboa Heights, Canal Zone.

Married: Margaret Clary and Jack Illian. Iowa City, Ia.—Elizabeth Whitney and Curt Vollnhofer, Jan. 12, in Peking, China.

SIGMA—Toronto

Rushing is over. Immediately after the Christmas holidays we plunged into the mad whirl. The first tea was January 6. The next three days our alumnae showed their cooking abilities by managing the supper parties, according to the themes of a southern dinner, a Swedish Smorgesbord, and a sea food supper. The rushing season closed with two evening parties, one formal and the other a boisterous sleigh ride.

One of our greatest pleasures was to have five girls from Bete Psi at McGill university visiting us throughout rushing. Winnie Dundas, Peggy Koehan, Buntty Garland, Dorothy Kydd, and Enid Sprott were a real help to us, and so much fun.

January 22, we pledged Helen Tripp, Christine Tripp, and Frances Gorrie. We celebrated this event January 25 on another sleigh ride and party at the Guild of all arts.

This letter comes from the midst of term exams which catch us unawares after so much fraternity activity. However, we are planning a mother tea on February 10, so that the mothers of pledges may meet mothers of actives.

February 12 is Panhellenic banquet and dance in Eatons Round room. We are busy practicing our song. We know from past experience that Kappa Alpha Theta is usually called upon to perform between the main course and dessert, a difficult time to sing our best.

MARGARET BURNETTE

5 February 1940

Born: Feb. 2, a daughter, Peggy Ann, to Dr and Mrs D. M. Stockwell (Katherine van Nostrand).

UPSILON—Minnesota

The one party Upsilon keeps a tradition for December is the Christmas party for settlement children. This year we invited 20 negro girls between the ages of 6 and 10 to dinner on December 11. We thought we were to entertain them but the little girls turned the tables and danced for us, true trucking style. To complete the holiday celebration around the lighted

Christmas tree, Santa Claus presented each child with a baby doll.

After final exams and Christmas vacation Thetas returned to open Snow-week, a new function on campus. The four-day fun-fest began Thursday, January 18, and ended Sunday, January 21. Parties included a skating spree, a toboggan outing, a sleigh ride, and an informal dance each day. Also, chapter houses competed for best snow statues. In competition for snow queen, Upsilon entered Maura Anderson. Girls up for queen sold snow week buttons and from the five selling the most the queen was chosen. Maura reached the final five, but was eliminated in favor of Faith Alexander, Delta Delta Delta. Last day of the gala week there was a snow train to Glenwood City, Wisconsin, where Minnesota students skied and danced until time for the return of snow train.

So popular are faculty members that Theta had two faculty dinners in January to accommodate the guest list. Marian Dornfeld, social chairman, planned the first for January 25, and the second for January 30. The company played games after dinner, one being "Guess the advertisement"—e.g. what does "They satisfy" denote? Forty professors and their wives were guests.

Top event of January was the initiation of 17 pledges January 27: Maura Anderson, Patricia Cobel, Charlotte Cox, Edith Craswell, Mary Jane Dougherty, Betty Sue Gilsin, Patricia McClure, Kathryn Salisbury, Betty Shirk, Jeanne Thom, and Carol Sterner of Minneapolis; Elaine Bruber, and Mary Jane Wilcox of St. Paul; Phyllis Hale of Fort Snelling; Jeanne Booth of Virginia; Barbara Scott of Mason City, Iowa; Virginia Hartle of Owatonna.

Our annual dinner for Mrs Blitz, Dean of women, was January 7.

Winter quarter was completed with our quarterly formal February 23, at the University club in St. Paul.

MARY McLEAN

31 January 1940

New addresses: Maude Bell Plowman (Mrs G. T.) 745 Steele st. Denver, Col.—Rose Marie Rohan Miller (Mrs L. E.) 3001 Milton st. Dallas, Tex.—Sue Mason, 321 E. 43rd st. New York, N.Y.—Elaine Godward Nichols (Mrs H. R.) 5416 Park pl. Minneapolis, Minn.—Lila Bonhus Shaw (Mrs J. W.) 844 Rush st. Chicago, Ill.—Ruth Kircher, 1001 Lake blvd. Bemidji, Minn.—Janet Poore Maher (Mrs D. W.)

1418 Boulevard, West Hartford, Conn.—Jane Lathrop McKean (Mrs J. E.) 1743½ Buckner st. Shreveport, La.—Estelle McNally Lynch (Mrs L. J.) 463 El Arroyo rd. San Mateo, Cal.

Married: Leone Kehoe to Arnold A. Chester, Jan. 11. 2706 Glenhurst av. St Louis Park sta. Minneapolis, Minn.—Mary Kathleen Cook to Randall W. Kirk, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, in Jan.—Mary Jo Knapp to William F. Crank jr. Chi Psi, Jan. 26. 4635 Vincent av. S. Minneapolis, Minn.—Patricia Loudon to Douglas Dunsheath, Alpha Tau Omicron, Feb. 17. 5042 Emerson av. South Minneapolis, Minn.

Born: To Mr and Mrs C. R. McGrail (Louise Holahan) a daughter, Kathleen, in Oct. 1939. 4701 Washington st. Downers Grove, Ill.

PHI—Stanford

Rushing began immediately at the start of Winter quarter with a week of dinners. January 13 we proudly presented our pledge class of thirteen girls at the annual Open house. They are—Helen Ide (sister of Ruth) San Marino; Janette Grant, Virginia Finch, Betty Ann Welch, Margaret Wallace, France Winston, Dorothy Dodge—all of Los Angeles; Joan Litchfield, Anne Searls, Mary Jane Dennis—all of San Francisco; Virginia Sayre (sister of Jean Sayre, Omega) Oakland; Geraldine Hughes, Palo Alto; and Ellis McKellar, Altadena. We are justified in our pride for other houses have made a point of congratulating us on having "swept the campus" by pledging this class.

Just before rushing, Mrs Wise of Berkeley redecorated our living room. Now, with its cool green and warm rust color scheme, the room has whatever charm it may have lacked before.

We regret that Frances Dorr, Jane Barr, Jean Campbell, and Katherine Locey are absent this quarter, but are happy to have Lydia Wood, Mary Belle Trent, and Emma Edwards back again.

We celebrated Founders'-day with Omega at the Claremont hotel in Berkeley. Anne Searls, chemistry major, won the scholarship ring (presented every year) with the outstanding average of four A's and one B for her first quarter at Stanford. Phi competed with Omega in giving skits, and won the cup for the second successive time.

January 29 we had initiation for Jane Andersen, Nancy Freund, Phyllis Gilman, Leonore Allen, and Eleanor Booz.

January 27 girls on campus sent their dates flowers and called for them for the Sadie

Hawkin's dance, of which Ruth Whitney was chairman.

ELEANOR BOOZ

30 January 1940

New addresses: Dorothy Flude Lannom (Mrs J. R.) 3527 Denison av. San Pedro, Cal.—Ruth Hembroft Herrington (Mrs L. P.) 63 Putnam av. Hamden, Conn.

Mary Graham Prewitt (Mrs David) was the official representative of Stanford university at the inauguration of Dr Francis Stephenson Hutchins as president of Berea college, Nov. 25, 1939.

Married: Marion Rankin and Robert B. Whitehill, Nov. 10. 34 Haxton pl. Salt Lake City, Utah.

Born: To Mr and Mrs A. T. Bartlett (Elizabeth Endress) a son, Aug. 7, 1939. 53 Westmoreland pl. St Louis, Mo.—To Mr and Mrs S. J. Madden (Helen Ray) a son, Thomas Ray, Nov. 6.—To Mr and Mrs J. R. Lynden jr. (Madeleine Speik) a second son, Frederick Charles, Jan. 20.

CHI—Syracuse

December was a social month for Chi. First of all, Iota entertained us graciously at its chapter house at Cornell. Buffet luncheon was served, then the afternoon spent in talking, playing games, singing Theta songs and in general, a "get together."

December 9 was the date for the annual Panhellenic banquet at which we endorse the custom of mixed seating with other houses. The chapter received commendation for standing second in scholarship, with a 1.765 average.

Next in order, pledges entertained the chapter December 11 with a Christmas party. Refreshments were served after Martha Barber, acting as Santa Claus, had given out all the little ten-cent gifts with their appropriately funny verses. The Mothers' club presented us with a steam iron for which, needless to say, we are all most grateful.

Every year we say the Christmas formal dance is the "best ever," and this year is no exception. The house was beautifully decorated with balsam, pine cones, laurel, white candles, and not to mention the mistletoe, the huge tree in the hall, and the roaring fire in the library to add atmosphere.

December 14, the chapter attended a performance of *Aida* presented by the University chorus with guest soloists. Five Thetas are in the chorus—Nancy Kincaid, Mary Lou Dillenburg, Elizabeth Iglehart, Virginia Wakeman, and Joan Jobson.

January for the greater part has been spent

in study, as we're determined to keep or even better our scholarship record. However, with snow and more snow, soon will come the Syracuse winter carnival of which Polly Farnsworth is co-chairman. Mary Lou Dillenburg is a candidate for carnival queen. Another queen to be chosen, with Virginia Guilfoil as our candidate, is Senior ball queen January 30.

To be congratulated for achieving honoraries are Nancy Kincaid, Mary Lou Dillenburg, Jean Manier, Sigma Alpha Iota (music); Gertrude Waite, Boars Head (drama); and Marion Jane Morgan, Kappa Phi Kappa (education).

YVONNE FOX

31 January 1940

New addresses: Ellen Sweeney Reagan (Mrs D. J.) 36 Chestnut st. Worcester, Mass.—Katharine Wells Pett (Mrs H. H.) The Old Hickory, Main st. Coudersport, Pa.

Married: Mary Frances Stowell and Edward Hill Lang, Jan. 12. 500 Park av. Albany, N.Y.—Madelyn Mahony Ralph and Dr Clark P. Halstead, Dec. 9, 1939. 4487 Greenwich pkwy. N.W. Washington, D.C.—Genevieve Davidson and James Vincent McGuire, 330 Green st. Syracuse, N.Y.

Born: To Mr and Mrs Erwin Worm (Frances Hathaway) a daughter, Virginia Frances, Apr. 22, 1939. 1620 N. 14th av. Pensacola, Fla.

PSI—Wisconsin

Reigning over the 1940 prom will be Queen Betty Jane Tracy, Theta sophomore. In her court of honor is another Theta, Rosalie O'Connor, whose official title is Crown Princess.

Theta's skit in the annual university presentation of Wiskits was December 1, and, because it was so well adapted to radio, was given over WHA, the university radio station, the week preceding. Titled *Advice to freshmen*, the skit was written entirely in verse by Marjorie Novotny and Martha Hill. Parts were taken by Ruth Huegel, Betty Wetherbee, Caroline Hoehler, Grace Whitson, Betty Rinehimer, Janet Hermann, and Jean Grootemaat.

Our 1940 Founders'-day banquet will commemorate not only the seventieth year of Theta, but also Psi's fiftieth anniversary. The date for the banquet has not been set, as January examinations and February rushing conflict with the birthday date.

SHIRLEY HAVERSTICK

29 January 1940

Born: To Mr and Mrs Adam Butler (Virginia Berlin) twin sons, Frederic Berlin, and Thomas Berlin,

Nov. 5, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs Roger Devlin (Jean Ricks), a son, Patrick Vincent, Nov. 27, 1939.

New addresses: Martha Jane VanZant Lowe (Mrs H. Q.) 1040 N. Delaware st. Indianapolis, Ind.—Winifred Reis Cofrin (Mrs John) 1717 E. Newton av. Milwaukee, Wis.—Carol Voigt Meyer (Mrs. J. E.) 505 Lyndale st. Austin, Minn.

Married: Marjorie Jacobsen and James B. McKenney, Theta Delta Theta, 1709 E. Newton st. Milwaukee, Wis.—Rebecca Taylor and Eugene L. McLure jr. Nov. 18, 1939. 746 Cecile pl. Shreveport, La.—Ann Fish and Edgar P. Sawyer, Chi Psi, Dec. 14, 1939. Quisling towers, Madison Wis.

OMEGA—California

College has just started, but we have plans for a busy and happy semester. Second semester rushing was not extensive, and our entertaining was confined to a tea at which we had many of next fall's prospective rushees.

Our main interest is in Founders'-day celebration, which besides being the seventieth anniversary of Theta, is of special significance to us at California, for this year is the Golden anniversary of Omega. Fifty years ago in 1890 this chapter received its charter as the first women's fraternity on campus. Kappa Kappa Gamma, a contemporary, was here earlier, but was suspended for awhile, during which time Omega appeared and began its steady growth to its present size and influence. The Founders'-day dinner with the Stanford chapter was at the Claremont hotel in Berkeley, and included a program of songs by Omega and Phi. Our quartette, composed by Beatrice Church, Jane Quinn, Marian Heckscher, and Jane Parrish sang *Why do I love thee, O K A @?* and *When I first came to the university*; both chapters sang *My dream of love* and *I pity*; while *O Evala* and *Theta Lips* were sung by every one present. The two freshman classes presented their traditional skits, the prize for which was won by Phi. Freshman scholarship awards also were given, ours going to Marylyne Campbell, of whose fine record we are justly proud.

The annual Crew dance will be February 3. Omega's sponsors for this event are Beatrice Church, Virginia Adams, and Jean Sayre.

Omega is happy to be part of a plan started last semester by music-loving students. Eleven fraternities on campus, including, besides Theta, Delta Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Phi, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Chi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Chi Phi, Beta

Theta Pi, and Psi Upsilon, have taken boxes for the Saturday night performances of the San Francisco symphony—Theta being the only one to have enough enthusiasts to fill two boxes! Each of us going has either bought tickets for the whole series, or else divided them with another girl with whom we take turns in going. Needless to say, this is proving to be a wonderful experience for all of us who love music, as we are able to hear world-famous musicians such as Heifetz and Rachmaninoff. Moreover, a discussion group has been formed by the students themselves. This meets at one of the fraternity houses shortly before the night of the symphony to analyze the compositions to be played and tell about the lives of the composers.

We continue to feel what a joy this lovely home is for all of us throughout our college life.

GENEVIEVE MOFFITT

28 January 1940

New addresses: Jean Garrettson, 112 Woodside terr. Springfield, Mass.—Barbara Townsend Shafer (Mrs J. J.) U.S.S. *Arizona*, San Pedro, Cal.—Mary Shand Green (Mrs C. F.) Norfolk Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.—Margaret Powell Kidder (Mrs S. J.) Helen Mine, via Sault Ste Marie, Ont. Can.

Married: Ruth Schneider to Joseph H. Townsend, Oct. 14, 1939. 65 Greenleaf st. Quincy, Mass.—Jean Kleeberger to Wilfred van Loeben Sels—Jean Higgins to Thomas E. Bonney.

Born: To Mr and Mrs C. C. Toll (Jessie Gorham) a daughter, Suzanne, Oct. 10, 1939. 2525 Hollister av. Santa Barbara, Cal.

ALPHA BETA—Swarthmore

New addresses: Anna Wolff Miller (Mrs S. R.) 609 East st. Dedham, Mass.—Dr Mary M. Livezey, 7200 Cresheim rd. Philadelphia, Pa.—Priscilla Rawson Curll (Mrs D. B. Jr.) Adams Point, Barrington, R.I.—Elizabeth Hull Roberts (Mrs C. B. III) Richards rd. Valley Forge, Pa.—Jane Foster McConnell (Mrs L. G.) 36 Bedford terr. Northampton, Mass.—Elizabeth Geddes Baker (Mrs Walter J. jr.) 264 Fulton av. White Plains, N.Y.

ALPHA GAMMA—Ohio State

Those proudly displaying new Theta badges are Anna May Berry, London, Ohio; Mabel Green, Toledo; Virginia Polly, Lakewood; and Ann Cashatt (sister of Peggy) Norma Miller, Betty Ronsevel and Miriam Wright of Columbus.

December 10 the pledges gave a tea to

which they invited members from each women's fraternity on campus and girls from the Independent women's association.

The University Golf club was the scene of an informal dance to which pledges invited pledges of fraternities which have entertained them during the year.

One of the most unique events, the Theta-Kappa backwards dance, was at the Country club, February 16. The boys were much encumbered with a delightful assortment of cor-sages.

Mrs Maurer, president of District 1, visited our chapter and spoke at the Founders'-day banquet, January 29, at the University club. On the preceding day we gave a tea in her honor.

Many of the underclassmen enjoyed the Freshman-sophomore faculty tea sponsored January 31 by Women's student government association.

Alpha Gamma continues to march ahead in campus activities. Of the ten outstanding seniors chosen by Theta Sigma Phi, journalism honorary, to attend Matrix table, four were Thetas: Dorothy Bramble, Cleda Jones, Janice Ridenour and Jean Waid. Betty Paisley was chosen to represent Y.W.C.A. on W.S.G.A. board, and Grace Vaughn was elected librarian for Strollers dramatic society.

DOROTHY BRAMBLE

1 February, 1940

New addresses: Jane Pearce Cunningham (Mrs John) 13614 St Marys av. Detroit, Mich.—Margaret Jarvis Villers (Mrs F. L.) R. 1, box 177, Clarksburg, W.Va.—Elizabeth Mann Kimball (Mrs W. C.) 555 E. Church st. Marion, O.—Mary Funk Sweet (Mrs F. B.) 171 W. High st. Mt. Gilead, O.—Helen Jones Jones (Mrs T. F.) 429 E. Union st. Bethlehem, Pa.—Miriam Kirk Walz (Mrs. W. H.) Hotel Abraham Lincoln, Reading, Pa.

Married: Nancy Cooper to Bainbridge M. Larkin, Dec. 30. 206 Farmington av. Hartford, Conn.—Mary Chapin to Fred Hayes Burks, Dec. 22. 2471 Bryden rd. Columbus, O.—Betty Courtright to Edward E. Watson, Feb. 5.—Alberta Houston to Leonard S. Gerrard, Dec. 31. 1838 Devon rd. Columbus, O.—Lucia Little to David Taylor Lee, Dec. 23. 87 Wilson av. Columbus, O.—Betty Jane Sipher to Dr Charles Edward Frank, Apt. 15, 501 N. Rodney st. Wilmington, Del.

Born: To Dr and Mrs J. Q. Brown (Doris Campbell) a son, Dec. 4.

ALPHA DELTA—*Goucher*

Alpha Delta was proud to initiate on Janu-

ary 24, Ruth Axtell, Mary Boss, Julia Chadwick, Nancy Heberling, Judith Howard, Gabrielle Hull, Emmy Lou Hutchins, Edna Jurgens, and Caroline Mayfield. Following initiation a banquet in honor of the initiates was given at the Longfellow hotel. After a delicious meal our speakers, the Messieurs Mussolini, Roosevelt, Hitler, and Chamberlain, gave us their ideas for the reorganization of Kappa Alpha Theta. Emmy Lou Hutchins was presented with a Theta bracelet, being selected the best all-round pledge.

Founders'-day was celebrated by Baltimore alumnae and the college chapter January 30, with a banquet at the Baltimore country club. The theme was *the Dreadful decade of the 1870's*.

Goucher is busily preparing for its annual Sing-song contest in which the four classes vie for honors in writing and singing college songs. Frances Jane Diver, as College Spirit chairman, is in charge. Jean Anne Jones is serving as sophomore class chairman.

Alpha Delta is having a benefit card party February 6, to which it is inviting Baltimore alumnae, and hoping to raise funds for new china for the rooms.

Panhellenic dance was January 19 at the Maryland casualty building. Before the dance Myrle Weis entertained the chapter at her home. The evening was voted a great success by both members and pledges.

We are happy to announce the affiliation of Eva Perry Moore, Beta Iota, and the pledging of Winifred Leist, Baltimore, Maryland.

NELLY LONGSTAFF

31 January 1940

New address: Margaret Alexander Meyer (Mrs V. A.) 4313 Harrisburg st. Houston, Tex.

Born: May 25, 1939, a daughter, Sybil Ann, to Mr and Mrs W. I. Norman (Harriet Dodd) 1915 Normandy rd. Zanesville, O.

ALPHA ETA—*Vanderbilt*

We are particularly proud of Peggy Norvell, one of Nashville's most popular debutantes, who was presented by her parents at a brilliant ball December 20. All Thetas regarded it as an exciting occasion, enjoying the relaxation after exams.

Ann Shapard was elected treasurer of Lotus eaters, a freshman-sophomore club, to which Helen MacMurray and Maimie Edwards re-

cently were elected. Susan Cheek is a member of the Dean's council, a group of junior girls, selected on the basis of grades and activities. Shirley Caldwell and Gray Moore captured the Panhellenic bridge trophy. Shirley Steele had parts in two Little theater plays, *Petrified forest* and *What a life!*

January 21 Alpha Eta initiated Frances Adams, Jacksonville, Florida; Betty Blackman, Jane Chadwell, Mary Ailene Edwards, Helen McMurray, Virginia Youmans, Nashville; and Tempe Chester, Chattanooga, and February 1 Mary Elizabeth Bell, Canton, Mississippi.

Pledge service was January 23 for Sue Perkins Craig, Nashville.

Mildred Stoves made an excellent toastmistress for the Founders'-day banquet. Freshmen presented a skit *Twenty years a Theta*, about a pledge who took that long to make her grades. The Theta badge for highest scholarship in the pledge class was awarded to Virginia Youmans. Frances Adams won, *Sixty years in K A Θ*, for being the most outstanding pledge. We ended by singing Theta songs.

We are so pleased that the alumnae are serving lunch at the chapter house on Fridays. It gives us all a chance to be together and to have our friends from other groups in the house. The Tri-Delta and Alpha Omicron Pi chapters serve lunch on other days, so we plan to make it a "round-robin" affair.

SUE DOUGLAS

29 January 1940

New addresses: Lucy Grasty Ballif (Mrs P. S.) 812 W. Madison av. Hyattsville, Md.—Barbara Denman Murnan (Mrs G. C.) 1218 Graham av. Eau Claire, Wis.—Emily Davis Hunter (Mrs P. G. jr.) 1334 Peoples Gas bldg. Chicago, Ill.

Born: To Mr and Mrs Harold P. Griffin (Josephine Joplin) a daughter, Jo Gene, Dec. 25. Her brother Harold is now two years old. 5108 Angeles Vista blvd. Los Angeles, Cal.

ALPHA THETA—Texas

Silence reigns at the Theta house where all are busy with exams. For such occasions we have added new tables and lamps to the chapter room.

Alpha Theta celebrated Founders'-day with a dinner for the girls in the house. In February we will have a banquet in honor of this day and newly initiated members. Alumnae celebrated with a luncheon at the home of Helene Perrin Smith.

We were pleased to initiate Jane Lee Joyner, Harlingen; Mary Pool, San Antonio; Betty Teel and Patty Will, Amarillo; Rosemary Tyler, Austin; Patsy Williams, Mineral Wells; Virginia Berry and Ann Ward, Fort Worth.

Mrs Dickinson, house mother, was honored at a tea given by the chapter at the lovely Enfield home of Maxine Robison January 12. The pledges had a gay time at a buffet supper and dance given for them by Alpha Tau Omega.

Editors of *The ranger*, monthly college magazine, chose photographs of four Thetas, Jane Copeland, Virginia Ford, Mary Hilman, and Maxine Robison, for the fall issues of the magazine. Maxine was also selected to model in *Time staggers on*.

We think it grand—that Panhellenic sponsors an exchange luncheon every two weeks, when each group entertains two guests from another group; that the girls in the house plan their own birthday dinners; that the pledges make us laugh over their original skits on Monday night after buffet suppers.

We are all working with Margaret Rolle, director of Sing song in order to win this most coveted honor.

Norma Niemeyer, La Porte, is a new pledge.

We give up reluctantly two graduating seniors, Evelyn Storm, Amarillo, and Jean Scales, Marshall, 1939 rush captain.

BERTHA SCARBOROUGH

30 January 1940

Married: Mary Lou Veatch and Charles Terrell, 1205 Linwood, Kansas City, Mo.—Elizabeth Autrey to W. M. Breath, Phi Gamma Delta, Oct. 2. 3905 Lakeshore dr. Port Arthur, Tex.—Charlotte Dies to Alfred Robinson. Normandy Arms, Austin, Tex.

ALPHA IOTA—Washington (St. Louis)

In the tense moments after exams when we are awaiting verdicts concerning ourselves, our pledges, and our chapter average, it is rather difficult to look back on events which occurred in more frivolous times. However, the success of our Christmas formal, together with the fact that two of three campus queens so far this year have been Thetas, furnish us with pleasant recollections.

At the Military ball, Doris Gates was chosen honorary colonel of ROTC and took her oath of office. The ball, quite a tremendous affair, was in St. Louis' new armory with Ted Fio Rita providing the music. It was attended by army

officers as well as by students—a fitting background, we might modestly say, for a Theta colonel. Scarcely had we recovered from our excitement over this, when Harriet Lloyd walked away with the title of Freshman popularity queen to offer conclusive proof that beauty and personality can be combined with brains, for Harriet's grade average is one of the best in the pledge class.

Christmas holidays started with an hilarious party at which we exchanged dime store presents embellished with poems. The climax was capped when Santa Claus' trousers gave way and pillows were scattered to the four corners. Our dinner dance the day after Christmas seemed just a little better than any dance we have had. Holiday excitement faded with the last traces of a prolonged snowfall, and we look forward to a big event which eclipses all others—initiation!

MARCIA TOENSFELDT

4 February 1940

New addresses: Frances Beal McArdle (Mrs Meade) 709 Kirkwood av. Anniston, Ala.—Pauline Bartels Hurlbut (Mrs O. E.) Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md.—Ida McRoberts McMath (Mrs K. R.) Hidden Springs lane, Rye, N.Y.—Grace Gale, 415 W. Jackson st. Webster Groves, Mo.—Marian Schmid Ward (Mrs D. E.) 11 Moreland av. Glendale, Mo.

Married: Dorothy Merrell to John W. O'Neil, Oct. 21. 5843 Cabanne st. St. Louis, Mo.—Jo Ann Billman to O. Grayden Spickelmier, Dec. 16. 6401 Chippewa st. St. Louis, Mo.

ALPHA KAPPA—*Adelphi*

Exams having gone the way of all exams we are now sitting back to inhale a few relaxing breaths.

Our formal dance was a grand success and we are all enormously thrilled to know that every one present had a merry evening. We are sorry that more alums could not attend.

January 26, Founders'-day, we had a supper meeting at Adelphi in honor of that momentous occasion. We rose and stood as a candle was lighted for each one of the Founders. This supper meeting was also a farewell party for Marshall Page, who left for North Carolina that night, to enter Duke. Duke's Theta chapter is gaining a simply swell person as we here at Adelphi well know. Janet Weeks gave a farewell tea for Marshall, too, at which the Theta appetite was well in appearance and so, much and delicious food plus an anything but

serious game of bridge made for lots of merriment.

February 2 Mimi Seekamp is giving the chapter a coca cola party. It sounds interesting and probably will be.

29 January 1940

New addresses: Helen A. Distelhurst (Mrs P. S.) 8 N. Williams st. Burlington, Vt.—Madeleine L. Lay, Hotel Gramercy Park, 52 Gramercy park, New York, N.Y.—Anna Belle Liell Manning (Mrs W. J.) 175 Kilburn rd. Garden City, N.Y.—Roxanna Thurston Peterson (Mrs S. C.) 37 Audubon rd. Teaneck, N.J.

ALPHA LAMBDA—*Washington (Seattle)*

Here winter quarter means formal dances, fraternity initiations, and student elections.

First for Washington Thetas was the annual formal dinner dance at Inglewood country club, January 20.

The big event for Theta pledges was initiation January 27. The new Thetas are Mary Helen Grande, Marjorie Primrose, Peggy Lindsey (daughter of Margaret London Lindsey) Dorothy Borst, Margaret Brambach, Jeanette Lewis, Betty Lee Connor, Lynn Carpenter (daughter of Fay Kent Carpenter, Alpha Nu) Mary Lou English, Phyllis Turnure, Barbara Collins (daughter of Norma Heathman Collins, Alpha Sigma) Ann Medvesek, Jean Hopkins and Marjorie Meyer, Phyllis Prentice and Marion Gilbert, Lisa Gill, Muriel Thatcher, Sally Fisher (daughter of Margaret Lewis Fisher, Beta Mu) and Omah Albaugh (grandniece of Alice Allen Brandt and sister of Marion Albaugh, Alpha).

After the ceremony initiates were feted at a luncheon at the chapter house. In the evening they were guests of honor at the Founders'-day banquet at the Edmond Meany hotel, where we joined Seattle alumnae. Louise Kelly, Alpha Sigma, was toastmistress and presided over a question and answer contest, *Inspiration please*. Mary Frances Courtney, Lois Johnson, Margaret Williamson, and Sally Fisher, and Alice Frien Johnson, alumnae, answered questions about prominent Thetas and their achievements. Phyllis Rudeen was in charge of arrangements.

This month Pat Riley retires from the office of Executive chairman of Associated women students. Dorothy Sweet has been nominated for secretary of this organization.

A proud moment for the chapter was the

presentation of the scholarship cup at the Panhellenic banquet to Kappa Alpha Theta. As two pledges, Phyllis Turnure and Sally Fisher, received straight A last quarter, we have high hopes of keeping the cup.

Shirley Say was initiated by Zeta Phi Eta, speech society. Jane Brokaw is pledged to Theta Sigma Phi. Phyllis Rudeen was initiated by Sigma Epsilon Sigma, local scholarship group of underclasswomen.

Our immediate concern is to win the intramural basketball tournament. We have a good start, having defeated Gamma Phi Beta, 21-1, in our first game.

JANE BROKAW

1 February 1940

Married: Dec. 27, 1938, Janet Streets to Park Weed Willis. 333 Kinnear pl. Seattle, Wash.—Jean Ross to Edward Katra. 47 Claremont st. New York, N.Y.—Polly Poe to Howard Richmond, Psi Upsilon. —Muriel Jarvis to Lieut Joseph H. Barker, June 6, 1939. 198 Pawling av. Apt. 3, Troy, N.Y.—Anne Hall to George Nea, Jan. 20.

Born: To Mr and Mrs C. M. Ambrose jr. (Betty McGhie) a son, Peter, in Jan.—To Mr and Mrs H. L. Webster (Betty Conner) a son, William Leighton, Jan. 3.

New addresses: Ruth Quigley, 2915 Sunset pl. Los Angeles, Cal.—Escalene Anderson, Bowers apts. Longview, Wash.—Mary Shannon Bauer (Mrs Rollin) 6 Jones st. New York, N.Y.—Helen S. Field Holden (Mrs G. R. jr.) 2412 Sunset dr. Tampa, Fla.

ALPHA MU—Missouri

When members of Alpha Mu say that they are snowed under this week, they mean both figuratively and literally! Missouri is having record breaking snowfalls, and we are all going around in ski suits, trying to keep warm. Also we are in the midst of final examinations, which means continuous quiet hour for ten days, unlimited quantities of coca-cola and black coffee, and a bit of going on short rations of sleep—both members and pledges.

Just before Christmas we pledged Frances Beachy of La Jolla, California.

February 24 Theta gave its mid-winter party. February 16 came Founders'-day banquet, if possible, even more impressive this year than last, with initiation the following day.

Intramural sports wend their way through the year, and now we're in the middle of an undefeated basketball season, to be resumed after finals. Pledge Margaret Kallmeyer, last

year's all-state center, is one reason why we shine so brightly.

Queen crop to date is: Frances Fontaine, crowned ruler of freshmen and sophomores to end their traditional feud. Jane Williams of St. Petersburg, Florida, first Savitar Queen last year, is candidate for Men's Panhellenic queen.

ANN MARCOTTE

26 January 1940

New addresses: Louisa Carter Frost, 1312 University av. Columbia, Mo.—Louise Moser Buckingham (Mrs J. H.) 759 S. Riverside dr. Tulsa, Okla.—Carolyn Dziačko Odell (Mrs R. M.) 1002 Blendon pl. Richmond Heights, Mo.

Married: June Kyger to George W. Green, Dec. 30. 4311 Robert Gillham rd. Kansas City, Mo.

Born: To Mr and Mrs F. R. Sanborn (Janet Sweet) a daughter, Janet Victoria, Nov. 1. 15 Garden pl. Brooklyn, N.Y.—To Mr and Mrs F. C. Shields (Helen James) a son, Fred, and a daughter, Janet, March 8, 1939. 501 W. 39, Oklahoma City.

ALPHA NU—Montana

"So ring out three cheers for Theta, for Theta." Three cheers first for Founders'-day, celebrated with a formal banquet at the Palace hotel. President Phyllis Smith, lighted candles to the first four Kappa Alpha Thetas; Martha Busey Duff, Jeanne Ruenuaver, Dora Dailey, Sis Hopkins and Prudence Clapp spoke for alumnae, seniors, juniors, sophomores and freshmen, respectively, and the quartet lent harmony to favorite songs between courses. A grand party, bettered by knowing that Thetas throughout the country were singing, speaking, thinking similar thoughts at the same time.

Cheers, too, for a new living room at 333 University. Henna-rose carpet, ivory drapes, and beige davenports; bell-backed chairs in aqua with a dubonet stripe, and comfy ones in rose print, make our house more friendly and hospitable.

But the biggest, loudest, cheers have been saved 'til last. They are lusty "hurrahs" for our fourteen new members. Congratulations to the girls, initiated January 21: Prudence Clapp, Pat Cooke, Rita Schiltz, Phyllis Cramer, Maxine Dunckel, Doris Morley, Virginia Gillespie, Ann Johnson, Bartley O'Byrne, Margaret Landreth, Mary Louise Lundeen, Almarie Parker, Dorothy Rochon, Katherine Ruenuaver.

Hellgate canyon's wintry blasts might daunt a Montana co-ed weak in heart. But Thetas remain in the news in spite of the elements.

Serving on Co-ed ball committees are Barbara Adams, Lois Bauer, Barbara Jean Boorman, Ann Johnson, and Pat Ruenauver. New initiates of Alpha Lambda Delta include Katharine Sire and Barbara Boorman. Pat Cooke recently created great campus fun by calling a Kaimin journalist's bluff and appearing as M.S.U.'s *Five-pin girl*. Pat wore five pins sure enough, but when she had to encircle the table five times at the Founders'-day banquet while her sisters sang "Here's to Brother one, two, three," etc. Pat wasn't so sure that her joke was funny!

Theta pledges entertained pledges of other groups (both men's and women's) January 13, at a winter sports dance. The party was so successful that the dismayed hostesses had to re-order hot dogs and pop twice to feed their hungry guests. Perhaps it's fortunate that hearty refreshments aren't expected at the pledge-given formal, February 23!

Much in the news is Katharine Sire, named one of the ten outstanding Americans for 1939 by *Youth today*, national journal for young people. Alpha Nu is proud of you, Katharine. "Keets," winner of the champion homemaker title in a nationwide contest last year, is a sophomore music major. She, Susan Pigot, Verniece Fifield and Corine Sequin compose the Theta quartet which will vie for vocal honors in the annual Intersorority song fest. These same girls won second place in last year's contest.

BARBARA JEAN BOORMAN

29 January 1940

Married: Charlotte Fritz to Karl Dissley. 659 6th st. Missoula, Mont.—Sara Wadell to Clark Howard Brown, Nov. 11. 412 W. Broadway, Missoula, Mont.

New addresses: Gertrude White Bassett (Mrs H. G.) 621½ S. Palm st. Pasadena, Cal.—Virginia Malloy Johnson (Mrs Mac) 212 Avenue D, Billings, Mont.

ALPHA XI—Oregon

Mr. Groundhog saw his shadow the other day and made a hurried retreat into his cosy nest, leaving us to combat the stormy grip of winter. The grayness of the days is not reflected in the least in our chapter life as we bask in the sunshine of achievement and honor.

Fall term we pledged: Nelda Christenson, Nancy Latourette, Marjorie Dibble, Janice Gifford, Nancy Stratton, Mary Hortskotte, Nancy Wilson, Margaret Hall, and Grace Williams,

all of Portland; Patricia Nickell, Elizabeth Eades, Ellen Ann Evans, Corrinne Preisker, Carol Nelson, Marjorie McKinley, Betsy Feasley, Jean Romie, and Virginia Langstroth, from California; Frances Ann Mott, Salem; Shirley Gillett, Kansas City, Missouri; Helen Jane Kerr, Roseburg; and Margaret Watts from Alabama. Winter term, we pledged Betsy Pantan from California. Seventeen of these pledges have been initiated.

Alpha Xi is the proud possessor of two cups: one, acquired for taking in the most money at the Nickel Hop, sponsored by Associated women students; and the other, for having the greatest percentage of fathers attend Dad's week-end.

Margaret Young and Janet Morris are Theta representatives in Kwama, a sophomore service group.

Scabbard and Blade sponsors the Military Ball. A Little colonel and three Little majors are chosen by popular vote to rule over the festivities. Joan Hoke, was elected one of the Little majors.

Lois Onthank was chosen to Senior Six, one of the highest honors possible to achieve, eligibility being based on scholarship and activity records. With membership in Senior six goes automatic election into Phi Beta Kappa.

VIRGINIA TOOZE

12 February 1940

New addresses: Ruth Sensenich Sullivan (Mrs W. P.) 2326 11th av. N. Seattle, Wash.—Evelyn Beebe Billington (Mrs F. J. jr.) 1120 Union st. San Francisco, Cal.—Ella Dobie Hathway (Mrs D. A.) 445 Illinois bldg. Indianapolis, Ind.—Barbara Jane Smith, 260 W. Lefelle rd. Salem, Ore.—Jean MacLaren Biggs (Mrs J. M.) 807 Cottonwood st. Pendleton, Ore.

Married: Bernice M. Healy to Thomas H. Tongue III, Nov. 30. Empire apts. 2000 F st. N.W. Washington, D.C.—Mary Onthank to Mortimer Allen Heinrich, Jan. 6. 2571 Virginia st. Berkeley, Cal.—Ruth Dodd to Dale Drury Fischer, Beta Theta Pi, Dec. 28. 1081 19th st. E. Eugene, Ore.

Mrs Adele Goff McEwen is society editor of the *Union-Bulletin* in Walla Walla, Wash.

ALPHA OMICRON—Oklahoma

Alpha Omicron is endeavoring to raise its scholarship average, so has had little social activity recently. However, thirty pounds of candy arrived, due to pinnings, to make study more "tasteful."

In the first week of December we added three pledges to the list of twenty-two: Gayle

Jones (sister of Ophelia) Cushing; Helen Banowetz, Coffeyville, Kansas; and Jeanne Labadie, Pawhaska.

We are looking forward to Founders'-day banquet given by alumnae of Oklahoma City for both Alpha Omicron and Beta Zeta chapters, January 29.

Elizabeth Olson of Ada will receive an Arts and science degree at the end of this term. Dorothy Mae Bennett of Shawnee will graduate in the School of art.

PATTY THOMPSON

22 January 1940

New addresses: Beth O'Reilly Lamkin (Mrs S. L.) 50 Amsterdam av. Menands, N.Y.—Ruth Standeven Allen (Mrs W. A.) 127 Foster st. Lake Charles, La.—Beverly Freeland Mahr (Mrs Carl) 98-76 Queens blvd. Forest Hills, L.I. N.Y.—Blanche Cordell Hicks. Holdenville, Okla.—Maurine Harvey Truitt (Mrs C. B.) 1747 S. Gary st. Tulsa, Okla.

Married: Helen Hutto to Peyton Ford, Dec. 29, 1939. 2500 N. Robinson, Apt. B, Oklahoma City, Okla.—Jean Vance to Kenneth K. Carpenter, Nov. 18, 1939. 112 N. 8th st. Ponca City, Okla.—Tydfil Bringhurst to Jack L. Fredenberger, Nov. 25, 1939. 1301 S. St. Louis st. Tulsa, Okla.—Mary Harrell Reinhart Barnes to Lowell Thornton Moseley, Dec. 22, 1939. 1211 Larchmont lane, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Born: To Lieut and Mrs Hunter Harris jr. (Margaret Bastic) a daughter, Margaret Hunter, Feb. 21, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs William H. McDonald (Harriet Willis) a son, George Edmund, Dec. 10, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs Paul Darrough (Margaret Archdeacon) a daughter, Lina Burford, July 28, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs Walter M. Morgan (Laura Focht) a daughter, Elizabeth Evans, Dec. 24, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs Henry S. Griffing (Jo Mattison) a daughter, Linda, Oct. 8, 1939.

ALPHA PI—North Dakota

The chapter house received the biggest Christmas present at Alpha Pi this year. Instead of exchanging a gift with little sisters, each of us gave one dollar to the house. Result: a newly decorated powder room.

It really looked like the night before Christmas at our Christmas party, because "Stockings were hung by the chimney with care" for each invited guest.

Jean Stebbins combined the Christmas holidays and travel, spending her vacation in the South.

Nu Delta Pi, home economics society, recently elected Patricia Tisdale, vice-president. A second honor coming to Patricia was that of being chosen Dream girl of Phi Delta Theta. From the Dream girls of all campus

fraternities the interfraternity queen will be chosen.

Accidentally omitted from the last chapter letter was the initiation of Mildred Lommen (daughter of Selma Hassell Lommen, charter member of Alpha Pi) October 4, 1939. We are all glad to have Mildred as an active member.

At the Military ball December 8, Pledge Verona Kumn was Honorary Cadet Captain. Verona is also president of Pi Chi Theta, commerce group. In the recent Playmaker tryouts, Jean Harris has been selected an active member. Jean Stebbins has a role in the next Playmaker production, *Our town*.

Decorations for the Sweethearts ball, sponsored by Womens' league, will be under the supervision of Adelaide Hansen.

Carney, traditional interclass song competition has many Thetas working; Eleanor Wold is junior class accompanist, Alice Forkner is senior class accompanist, Betty Taylor is on the publicity committee, with Doretta Peterson and Patricia Tisdale on the Song committee.

We are happy to welcome back, Ruth Hatt who returned to college this semester from the West Coast.

FLORENCE DICKER

26 January 1940

New addresses: Eleanor R. Thompson, 82 Sylvan av. West Hartford, Conn.—Eleanor R. Carr, 3125 James av. S. Minneapolis, Minn.—Doris Wilk, 404 Mandan st. Bismarck, N.D.

ALPHA RHO—South Dakota

Life at Alpha Rho is quiet and uneventful with final exams in full swing. We are prevented from celebrating Founders'-day until February 8, when pledges will entertain the chapter at a banquet with Founders'-day as their theme.

Before Christmas we entertained alumnae at a buffet supper. The pledges gave an original skit, and there was the customary exchange of presents and nonsensical poems, followed by group singing around the fire. The night before vacation we had our annual Christmas party—a jolly affair—at which we feasted, bridged, and bull-sessioned until well past the middle of the night. We are looking forward to a Leap year party on Valentine's day.

January 19 we pledged Jean Tenney of Ida Grove, Iowa.

The chapter had a shower for Marion Farmer January 22. Marion will become Mrs George W. Clayton February 5.

We are proud to have six Thetas in the University choir—Harriet Bakewell, Helen Gibbs, Josephine Quirk, Moxy Entsminger, Jane Spaulding, and Alice Robinson. Margaret Robertson and Beverly Hedman play in the orchestra. New pledges to Playcrafters, advanced dramatic society, are Helen Gibbs and Betty Holmes. Anita LaGrave and Marion Melham were pledged to Alpha Chi Alpha, national journalism society. Beverly Hedman was initiated into Phi Sigma Iota, romance language society.

Kappa Alpha Theta has inaugurated exchange dinners with other groups. Our first one will be with Pi Beta Phi February 6. We also have been invited to an exchange dinner with Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Alpha Rho is sorry to lose Maxine Hasche, but hope to have her back next fall. Beverly Hedman has obtained a leave of absence and will take an extended tour through the south during February and March.

Plans are going forward for the annual Strollers vaudeville March 14. This year we are joining with Delta Tau Delta to present an act we are determined shall win first place.

VIRGINIA FARAGHER

29 January 1940

New addresses: Pauline Kellogg, 1515 Ocean dr. Corpus Christi, Tex.—Lucille Quirk Hawkinson (Mrs D. F.) 688 Florida av. Pittsburgh 16, Pa.—Helen Barker Kostboth (Mrs Lyle) 111 N. Pine st. Vermillion, S.D.

Married: Myra Roseland to Robert Meisenholder, Delta Tau Delta, Dec. 26, 1939. Jefferson apt. 520 E. Jefferson, Ann Arbor, Mich.—Grace L. Beuttler to W. L. Chaussee, Dec. 16, 1939. Vermillion, S.D.—Dorothy Dawn Herrick to Walter Keith Hopewell, Phi Gamma Delta, Tekamah, Neb.

ALPHA SIGMA—*Washington State*

Alpha Sigma's actresses, Betty Secrest and Eleanor Young, carried off honors with their performances in *The Royal family*, recent college play. Eleanor is a newly initiated member of National Collegiate players.

New members of Phi Kappa Phi are Margaret Nail, Esther Flagg and Betty Secrest. Underclassmen who received annual Phi Kappa Phi merit award certificates are Audrey

Foote, Anne Kerbaugh, Jeanne Rounds, Joyce Johnson and Eleanor Young.

Sarah Brown and Shirley Ingram have been elected vice-president and treasurer respectively of Ellen H. Richards club. Fish Fans, swimming organization, now claims as members four Theta pledges: Peggy Buren, Frankie Belle Gay, Nancy McCroskey and Margaret Ann Lindley. Marjorie Fulton, Audrey Foote and Patricia de Soucy have been invited to join Sigma Kappa Phi, foreign language. Pledges Shirley Miller and Mary Constance Stimpert reached the semi-finals of the junior college debate tournament held here recently.

"Have a heart" is the new Theta motto as the girls look forward to a semi-formal valentine dance February 17. Virginia Grote heads the committee.

A world-renowned guest of honor at the chapter house was Mr Gaspar Cassado, Spanish cellist. Mr Cassado graciously consented to be present at the annual Kappa Alpha Theta musicale following his Community concert performance at the college.

The "Heifetz of the cello" and his accompanist, Mr Hans Horowitz, as well as several hundred guests, listened appreciatively to the program. Arranged by Esther Flagg, chairman, the program included an ensemble of Dorothy Bradford, Barbara Dickinson, and Marjorie Fulton, with Patricia Winney accompanying. Soloists were Betty Walsh, vocal; Margaret Ann Lindley, piano; and Ida Mae Kirtland, violin, accompanied by Florence Jane Sargent.

After the program, the distinguished guests and the girls got acquainted. Mr Horowitz entertained the group with an impromptu performance at the piano. His original arrangement of *The big bad wolf*, in pompous classical style, was a special hit.

This season marks Mr Cassado's fourth in America, since his sensational debut as soloist with the New York Philharmonic in December of 1936.

JEANNE ROUNDS

25 January 1940

Married: Gretchen Davies and John Maddox. 2622 Lakeside av. Chicago, Ill.—Helen Neill to George A. C. Sherer, Sept. 5. 511 Campus av. Pullman, Wash.—Jean Bowman to William Theodore Lowry, May 11. 4201 N. Pershing dr. Arlington, Va.

New addresses: Clara Belle Bair Fosdick (Mrs E. R.) Riva, Md.—Barbara Fairchild Sage (Mrs J. M.) 2417 41st av. N. Seattle, Wash.—Eileen M. Carlson,

Wallace hospital, Wallace, Id.—Lois Ragan Perry (Mrs R. T.) 317 N. Hillcrest st. Yakima, Wash.—Dorothy Prior, Anchorage, Alaska.

Born: To Mr and Mrs R. C. Thurston (June Tiffany) their second son, Bruce Tiffany, Apr. 13.—To Mrs Ben J. Pearson (Katherine Cole) and the late Ben J. Pearson, a son, Benjamin Josephus II. Gig Harbor, Wash. Mr Pearson was killed in a test flight of the Boeing Stratoliner. He was formerly assistant sales manager for Boeing Aircraft Company of Seattle.—To Dr and Mrs Wm. Kuhn (Rosalie Alexander) a son, Clay Michael, Apr. 25, 1939. S. Court apts. 40, Bremerton, Wash.

ALPHA TAU—*Cincinnati*

December 15 we gave our annual pledge formal at a downtown hotel. It was a grand success. Many recent alumnae lent their gaiety to the affair, and the stag line closed in on us, as usual. The introduction of pledges was at midnight, the bewitching hour, and our little darlings smiled their prettiest from a balcony as they stepped into the spotlight one by one to an appropriate popular tune. There in the limelight each received a lovely gold bracelet with the Theta crest on it from her respective Alpha Tau mother.

The last meeting before Christmas was a party at the house, made happier by the knowledge that we had provided sumptuous baskets of food for two unfortunate families. We all gathered around the gaily lighted Christmas tree and laughed and sang as we exchanged ten cent gifts. Mrs Holliday, house mother, was presented with a little token of appreciation, and retaliated with a gift for the house, and a huge box of candy for all of us from her son, the assistant Dean of men. The usual gift for the house from all of us was silverware, which was needed badly.

The customary slumber party given for the chapter by pledges was called off because of the unusually icy weather. We have all been indulging in winter sports, now mid-year exams are over and a short vacation here.

We are proud to announce that our president, Ann White, and Delle Sadler have been honored by initiation into Chi Delta Phi, literary society. Also Ann Hamer is our candidate for Junior Prom Queen.

Invitations have been sent to all the men's fraternities for our traditional Valentine's day party. We intend to show them that this is Leap year!

We now look forward to a new semester

with Founders'-day banquet and formal initiation February 18.

MARJORIE PERIN

31 January 1940

New addresses: Virginia Winston Herschede (Mrs F. C.) 106 Enola av. Kenmore, N. Y.—Alice Pyper Neher (Mrs Harry jr.) 2219 Park av. Cincinnati, O.

ALPHA UPSILON—*Washburn*

Our successful Christmas party started the holidays in fine spirit. The theme was "Toyland," from the ceiling hung all kinds of toys. A chimney with long red, green, and yellow balloons suspended from the top decorated the center of the ballroom of the country club. In one corner stood a fireplace and Christmas tree with many many gifts around them. A Santa Claus was erected at one door. The atmosphere was gay and festive. At intermission Theta pledges sang ten original songs, which were clever and different. Charles Bray's orchestra furnished the music. Betty Down, social chairman, planned the party.

December 8 at the chapter house chapter mothers gave a buffet supper for their daughters. The chapter gave a stunt, and pledges were entertained for a change. Our annual Christmas exchange was December 11, at the chapter house after dinner. There was a beautiful Christmas tree, which pledges decorated, and from which many gifts were distributed by President Catherine Cauthers.

The Beaux Arts ball January 13 was a successful midwinter entertainment. Jane Armstrong, social chairman of Delta Phi Delta had charge, while Roberta Kingman was a committee member. Marjorie Alexander, Royce Palmer, Barbara Johnson, and Marjorie Edmiston were on the dance program at intermission.

Founders'-day dinner January 27 was a happy reunion. Jean St. John Fink, Topeka alumnae president, had charge of the well-planned program, which was enjoyed by every one.

Mary Louise Alexander is in charge of the Panhellenic party January 30, an informal leap year dance. It should be fun for the boys to find out if it is enjoyable to be entertained for a change.

Mary Campbell is assistant manager of *Kaw*, yearbook, on which she has worked for the last two years. Catherine Cauthers and Dot Dunham were members of the all-star volley-

ball team. Dot Dunham was on the all-star baseball team.

DOLORES HOLMAN

30 January 1940

New addresses: Doris Kistler, Carthay apts. Wilshire & Fairfax, Los Angeles, Cal.—Ruth Rosser Baird (Mrs Harlan) 4316 Holley st. Kansas City, Mo.—Marcia Mohler Thomson (Mrs J. H.) 523 Gravilla, La Jolla, Cal.—Katherine Kelley Powell (Mrs P. M.) 721 W. Otoe st. Ponca City, Okla.—Phyllis Boyd Boyer (Mrs Kenneth) 3848 Cass st. Omaha, Neb.—Virginia L. Putman, 6211 Lemmon av. Box 990, Dallas, Tex.—Pauline Leibengood Wilhelm (Mrs H. P.) 1337 Fargo av. Chicago, Ill.

ALPHA PHI—*Newcomb*

Heading the social list was the formal dance given by Alpha Phi at the Saint Charles hotel December 16. The ballroom was crowded with Thetas and their dates and an impressively large group of stags. Music was furnished by Charlie Bourgeois and his orchestra, and all guests, as well as Thetas, agreed that it was the best dance of the year.

Before the Christmas holidays the alumnae chapter entertained with a Christmas party in the Theta rooms. The members brought gifts to be presented to a girl whom Theta is sending through school, and the Mother's club presented us with a lovely set of dishes for our rooms. After an informal supper, pledges presented a most entertaining skit.

Wishing to share the joys of a Merry Christmas with those of less fortunate circumstances, Alpha Phi entertained a group of little children with a Christmas party in the Theta rooms. The little boys and girls were given toys and clothes, and served ice cream and cake. Such Christmas parties are given annually by the chapter.

In New Orleans the gay Mardi Gras season is in full swing. The streets are decorated with palm trees, gay lights, and huge clowns in brilliant hues of orange, green, and purple, Mardi Gras colors. The Mardi Gras season began with Twelfth Night ball, and gorgeous balls will be given every night for the rest of the Mardi Gras festival. We are happy and proud that one of our members, Jeanne Brown, was Queen of Olympian ball. We also feel honored that one of our pledges, Barbara Martin, was elected to the court of Prophets of Persia.

The one ray of joy shining through the

gloom of exam week was the prospect of a four day holiday for the Mardi Gras celebration. Most of us will remain in New Orleans to enjoy the gay whirl, but some dormitory Thetas will depart for a few pleasant days spent at home or with friends.

ESTHER RENAUD

27 January 1940

New addresses: Frances E. Shannon, 1216 Pine st. New Orleans, La.—Elsa Storck Taylor (Mrs F. M.) 840 Monrovia st. Shreveport, La.—Mary E. Davenport, East House, 2 Short st. Boston, Mass.—Frances VanWinkle McBryde (Mrs Webster) 1242 E. S. Temple st. Salt Lake City, Utah.

Married: Betty Bowlby to James Williams, Phi Gamma Delta, Oct. 18, 1939. 605½ N.W. 31st st. Oklahoma City, Okla.—Mary Elizabeth Walker to Harold Morgan, Kappa Alpha, Sept. 15, 1939. 510 N.W. 21st st. Oklahoma City, Okla.

ALPHA CHI—*Purdue*

Three Thetas succeeded in making "distinguished," an "A" average: Ruth Bennett, Peggy Davis, and Lucy Demoret.

Relations with the Beta's next door continue to be nothing but the best. Before the holidays, the Beta's and Theta's held a joint meeting. A wreath was placed on the grave of the hatchet, which was buried several years ago after a misunderstanding. Beta freshmen knelt with bared heads and all listened to the solemn words in memoriam to the burial of the hatchet. A dessert was served for all afterwards in the Theta house.

The Christmas tea dance was a happy informal affair to radio music. The Christmas party, given the chapter by pledges, was voted unanimously the best we've ever had. Freshmen, holding candles, started the evening with Christmas carols, and then presented the traditional skit showing up all the faults of upperclassmen. But the Christmas spirit prevailed.

We congratulate Pedalion, a local organization, on becoming the newest Delta Gamma chapter. We are happy to welcome Delta Gamma to the campus.

January 30, our Theta Mothers' club gave a large bridge party at the Theta house. Thirty tables were filled.

We welcome Alice Newton returning to college after a most inopportune appendectomy during final exams.

Ginny Gould is to be congratulated on her lovely appearance in gold and white when she

led the Military ball with Dyer Butterfield. January 31, Tommy Dorsey played at the opening of the new wing of the Union ball room, which makes the room twice as large as formerly. Ellen Kepner has been appointed co-director of the laboratory group of Purdue's dramatic society, Playshop.

We regret the omission of one pledge from the list in the last issue: Jacqueline Decker (sister of Mary Emily and Janet) who was chairman of the homecoming decorations committee.

GEORGIALOU FLEAGER

31 January 1940

New addresses: Esther Anderson Lyon (Mrs J. T.) Bowen, Ill.—Dorothy Test Wolf (Mrs Mark) 915 Warren av. Topeka, Kan.—Hilda Smith Elder (Mrs E. E.) 4810 Washington blvd. Indianapolis, Ind.

ALPHA PSI—Lawrence

In spite of finals being in progress and the lull in activity which follows Christmas vacation, a number of events have tied the broken period together.

The White elephant party before vacation was a hilarious affair with alumnæ, members, and pledges vying with each other for laughs. The alumnæ capped the entertainment with a series of dramatic impersonations, including Wally Simpson, Mickey Mouse, and Hitler.

The annual winter formal at North Shore country club set the mood for Christmas festivities with its simply decorated, tall white trees and soft lights.

We are happy to announce the initiation of Marguerite Gottschalk December 15.

During vacation Monica Worsley represented Lawrence's chapter of National Collegiate players at the Chicago convention.

The week following vacation, varsity volleyball players were announced; Barbara Rounds and Mary White being included.

By special request the Thetas repeated a favorite rushing stunt, the *Bottle symphony act*, when Florette Zuelke conducted the unusual musical group at the Conway hotel January 15 for the entertainment of the Fox River Valley Alumnæ club.

Our annual Founders'-day banquet was at the Candleglow tea room, January 21. Social chairman June Selvy was assisted by Marguerite Gottschalk. Margaret Banta read about the founding of the fraternity from *Sixty Years*

in *Kappa Alpha Theta*, and Ruth Gray read one of Dorothy Parker's short stories.

Mary Agnes Sheldon and Ruth Gray were initiated by Sunset Players January 23. Monica Worsley is serving on a committee appointed to send Lawrence publicity to Fred Waring, who is considering writing the college a new song.

MONICA WORSLEY

1 February 1940

Married: Janet Gillingham and Allen Hofmaster, Tau Kappa Epsilon.—Sally Johnson and Robert Debauffer, Beta Theta Pi. 522 N. Pinckney st. Madison, Wis.—Sally Jane Haven and William Luick, Beaver Dam, Wis.—Jean Elisabeth Burgess to John C. W. Stegmeir, Nov. 30, 1939. 1231 Berkeley av. St. Paul, Minn.

Born: To Mr and Mrs H. S. Biggers (Julia Ladwig) Oct. 20, a son, Hayward Stanley jr.—To Mr and Mrs Elmer Root (Dorothy Hackworthy) a son, Stephen Leigh, July 25.—To Mr and Mrs W. R. Groover (Jean Schram) a son, Mikell Porter, Sept. 8. 1652 Pineola st. Kingsport, Tenn.

New addresses: Hazel Streckenbach Fletcher (Mrs Chapman) 121 N. Summit st. Sioux Falls, S.D.—Helena Holset Gordon (Mrs W. N.) Box 62, Bala-Cynwyd, Pa.—Mary Louise Fannon, 1117 E. Eldorado st. Appleton, Wis.—Laura Thickens, 8 Otis pl. Boston, Mass.—Amy Helmer Metcalf (Mrs C. W.) 5831 Chilton dr. Oakland, Cal.

ALPHA OMEGA—Pittsburgh

Exams are over and we are most happy about that. During vacation we have been having fun working on preparations for rushing which starts February 29 and extends through March 2. The chapter room where we gather to work, is a composite picture of scissors, paste pots, card tables, colored paper, and shouted advice and swing music. Despite the confusion much has been accomplished; invitations for most of the parties are finished, decorations have been started, and entertainment and menus planned.

Every one, alumnæ and actives, enjoyed the Founders'-day luncheon at the College club. The high spot was Mrs Peden's delightful informal speech.

The Interfraternity sing is scheduled for the week after we return to college and the Sing committee, chairmaned by Betty Sapp and Lillian Zinsser, is busy with rehearsals and song writing. The theme this year is Historical subjects and we have chosen "The Discovery of Electricity" with its connotation that Ben

Franklin wouldn't have done so well without a kite. We won last year and hope to repeat this year.

MARY SUTPHEN

30 January 1940

Married: Dorothy Koch and John Howard. 5518 S. Kimbark dr. Chicago, Ill.

New addresses: Martha Fuller MacFarlane (Mrs J. C.) 2562 Lilac st. Oakland, Cal.—Jane Anderson, 150 Washington st. Pittsburgh, Pa.—Nancy Lee Jones, 6808 Park Heights av. Baltimore, Md.—Evangeline Koenig Marbury (Mrs Edgar) Lot 18, Prospect rd. Baldwin Highlands, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Ethelwyn Downey Royston (Mrs W. T.) Glenshaw, Pa.—Dorothy Linhart Arnold (Mrs K. L.) Cathedral Mansions, Ellsworth av. Pittsburgh, Pa.

BETA GAMMA—*Colorado State*

We were all in our seventh heaven as we unwrapped present after present gathered from the Christmas tree by Santa Claus himself at our annual Christmas party. The pledges entertained with a program, refreshments, and carol singing. Peggy Anderson received the best gift of all—the scholarship ring for making the highest freshman average last year.

The week before vacation was filled with serenades, carolings, and a merry Christmas spirit precipitated by the passing of candy announcing the coming marriage of Betty Gay Hamnett.

We celebrated the close of finals by a chapter party. Mrs Simons, house mother, gave a book report, and we spent the afternoon playing bridge and enjoying refreshments.

We were reluctant to see Frances Woodside graduate, for she was an enthusiastic worker and a straight "A" student.

The three Colorado college chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta celebrated the seventieth anniversary at a Founders'-day banquet and dance at the Casanova in Denver February 2.

The next day a tea was given in honor of Mrs Moore, District president, at the home of Mary Sterling Ambler in Denver. Mrs Moore then visited our chapter for several days, giving us helpful suggestions and delightful company.

TRYPHOSA PURCELL

6 February 1940

Married: Betty Gay Hamnett to Harold Short, Dec. 30, 1939. 322 W. Laurel, Ft. Collins, Col.

New addresses: Helen Hamilton Weber (Mrs Philip) 441 N. Magnolia, Burbank, Cal.—Crystal

Netherton Reed (Mrs E. G.) 1445 E. Broad st. Columbus, O.—Georgia Ardell Carlson (Mrs L. V.) 623 Polk st. Pueblo, Col.—Peggy Rich Hurt (Mrs Earl) 1014 S. Ogden st. Denver, Col.—Martha Trimble, Ft. Lewis State college, Hesperia, Col.

Born: To Mr and Mrs L. M. Talbert (June Ross) a daughter, Linda, Sept. 18, 1939. Warren, Ariz.

BETA DELTA—*Arizona*

At the close of first semester Beta Delta is happy to announce as pledges Elinor Ale-shire, Fort Bliss, Texas; June Bolton (sister of Betty) Des Moines, Iowa; Jean Carson (sister of Betsy and Caroline) Joan Huddleston, Madge Luke (sister of Frankie) Phoenix; Margaret Hill (sister of Anna Jane and Elizabeth) Betty Lou Draper, Betty Lee James, Prudence Myrland, Patiana Weeks, Nancy Fee, Tucson; Pat Gooder, Highland Park, Illinois; Sally Gring, Santa Barbara, California; Louise Hayward, El Paso, Texas; Margaret Ley, Peoria, Illinois; Julianne Zobel, Port Washington, Wisconsin; Merrill Hopkins, Pelham Manor, New York; and Jean Billman, St. Louis, Missouri.

New initiates are Betty Nichols and Marcella Randall.

Judy Zobel was elected Freshman queen. Louise Hayward represented the University as a Sun Princess at the Sun Bowl game in El Paso, Texas. Betty Bolton is Desert Queen candidate.

Our annual dinner dance was at the Old Pueblo club. At the annual Christmas party at the chapter house Randall Foster, as Mrs Santa Claus, distributed the presents. Later we were joined by Sigma Chi to go caroling. Exchange dinners have been enjoyed with Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, and Delta Chi.

At the end of the semester we are sorry to lose Norene Pomeroy, who is graduating.

Two welcome visitors last week were Margaret Kiddie and Rose Marie Sanguinetti.

ELIZABETH HILL

22 January 1940

New addresses: Caroline H. Stanley, 1125 N. Norris av. Tucson, Ariz.—Batz Montgomery Grabert (Mrs C. D. jr.) American Smelting & Refining Co. Ground hog unit, Vanadium, N.M. The Grabert's daughter, Claudia Danz was born Mar. 5, 1939, in Los Angeles, Cal.—Caroline Carson Boice (Mrs H. E.) Iron Springs, Ariz.—Ruth Lombard Paul (Mrs G. W.) 837 Campus av. Redlands, Cal.—Phoebe Peyton Hanson (Mrs W. H.) Kelly Field, Tex.—Avonelle Rus-

sell McManus (Mrs H. J.) 117 Arden circle, Belvidere, Norfolk, Va.—Mary Melton Haymore (Mrs Millard) 4151¾ Garthwaite, Los Angeles, Cal.—Kitty-Maude Buoy Catlin (Mrs Hamilton) 1223 N. Fourth av. Tucson, Ariz.—Betsy Carson Frederickson (Mrs Donald) 1621 Montecito, Phoenix, Ariz.—Helen Sheafe Dufficy (Mrs R. G. jr.) 630 Park av. Omaha, Neb.

BETA EPSILON—Oregon State

Thirteen girls now proudly wearing kites are Solveig Storkerson (sister of Virginia) Dorothy Ross (sister of Jean) Margaret Adams, Annis Bailey, Joan Booth, Shirley Cronemiller, Virginia Garland, Marie Hill, Margaret Holt, Barbara Mudge, Mary Magruder, Cecile Powers, and Mary Jane Sherry.

January 20, we had our annual winter house dance. Especially lovely, the dance theme revolved around "June in January," with paper roses entwined in white latticework arbors and gates. As a special surprise and an innovation our fruit punch was served in a 200 pound block of ice, lighted by flashing blue lights embedded in the corners.

The first exchange dinner was January 25 with Cauthorn hall, men's dormitory.

Every two years, A.W.S. sponsors an all college carnival. This year Theta operated a booth in which were live ducks as targets for small wooden hoops. Both Frances Wimberly and Grace Bohnenkamp have been serving on Junior prom committees. We are also pleased with Freshman Annis Bailey who played a major part in the Water Carnival swimming honoraries January 18.

To improve our scholarship standing, study table every night calls pledges and members whose grades are below initiation requirements. The girls with over a three point average are Chick Sloan, Louise Hayes, Frances Wimberly, Elaine Roberts, Mary Jane Sherry, Mary Magruder, Shirley Cronemiller, Solveig Storkerson, Annis Bailey, and Dorothy Ross.

It is good to have Helen Clark back after a two years' absence.

We enjoyed a rare treat January 26 as Beta Epsilon listened en masse to the Fred Waring broadcast over which he played the Fight song he wrote for Oregon State.

MARGARET ANN DURUZ

28 January 1940

New address: Pauline Lamar Whitehead (Mrs A. E.) 415 Fitch ct. Madison, Wis.

Married: Betty Ann Bain to Patrick Dolan, Dec. 27. 120 Trinity pl. Portland, Ore.—Ashby Rauch to J. Clinton Davis, Dec. 27. 329 S.E. Gilhan, Portland, Ore.—Magdeline Mann to Richard S. Schulze, Dec. 23. 86 N.E. Alberta, Portland, Ore.—Bette Montgomery to Richard G. Robbins. 1626 S.W. Montgomery, Portland, Ore.

BETA ZETA—Oklahoma State

We are proud to announce Pledge Rita Huggins, Vian; Louise Glass, Stillwater, and Margie Dell Oare (sister of Helen) Cherokee.

Just before Christmas the chapter gave its annual party for children of alumnae. The next night our own Christmas party provided an evening of fun for members and pledges. Names were drawn, and gifts were exchanged that drew a carload of laughs. Pledges presented the house with lovely silver bells for each of the dinner tables.

Our president, Carolina Richardson, has been selected to Who's who in American colleges and universities.

Among January 17 initiates of Fourth estate, girl's press club, were Lou Ann Claypool and Martha Pat Evans.

The chapter was pleased to have Jean Maggard, Perry, and Charlotte Jones, Duncan, return to college for second semester, both being out of college during fall term.

One of our loveliest events was Founders'-day banquet at the Oklahoma club in Oklahoma City. Oklahoma City alumnae presented the chapter with two beautiful crystal ash trays.

ELEANOR YOUNG

30 January 1940

New addresses: Dorothy Sexauer Lewis (Mrs H. S.) 320 E. Cleveland av. Guthrie, Okla.—Ruth Lewis Baber (Mrs H. E.) 808 Elizabeth st. Apt. 2, Corpus Christi, Tex.

Married: Betty Reed to Robert Reece Rogers III, Delta Upsilon, Jan. 14. 612 N.W. 29th, Apt. G, Oklahoma City, Okla.—Mary Wayne Gambill to V. Brown Monnett, Jan. 8. 423 Ridgeway, Jackson, Miss.—Ruth Blanche Winters to Warren Mark Robinson, Sept. 1, 1939. 3022 Kalakaua av. Honolulu, T.H.

BETA ETA—Pennsylvania

December 20 lights in the Theta living room had been pleasantly dimmed, cotton snow and tinsel ice had fallen on the Christmas tree, and bells were softly playing on the piano keys, when suddenly Santa Claus and his reindeer came prancing in with a pack full of

presents for all. That bit of bouncing cheer behind the bushy whiskers was Jane O'Neill Kiefner who had come to entertain at our party.

The week before, each of us had tried to emulate good old Saint Nick by bringing canned foods to the house and placing them in a large barrel destined for children of Settlement houses.

January 7, we boarded our magic carpet and transported ourselves to a spacious barn, a farmer's paradise where the actives gave the pledges a dance.

Congratulations are in order for Jane Vaughn who won Senior title of Eastern states skating championship.

Beta Eta again joined with representatives of other chapters for Founders'-day luncheon, January 28, at the Robert Morris hotel. Papers and books were left behind while we enjoyed hearing Genevieve Forbes Herrick, well known Washington journalist, bring news directly from the Capitol right to our door. We had another reason to rejoice at the dinner, for Philadelphia alumnae presented us with \$94, another step toward our Utopian dream, the new house.

Unfortunately we shall have to say farewell to Peggy Jamieson, Barbara Lander, and Lucille Worthington graduating in February; may their success inspire us throughout the remainder of the year.

It was a misunderstanding on the part of an apologetic editor that she failed to mention in the January issue that Mrs Higby had made special efforts to be at Pennsylvania when Beta Eta celebrated its twentieth birthday.

FRANCOISE JONES

29 January 1940

New addresses: Jean Williams Ellis (Mrs C. R.) 327 Windsor av. Haddonfield, N.J.—Ruth Jordan, 333 Bryn Mawr, Bala-Cynwyd, Pa.—Helen Jean Moore, 819 N. Highland av. Pittsburgh 6, Pa.

Married: Janet Dormon to Murray Ellzey Steeble, Jan. 13. 712 Walnut st. Philadelphia, Pa.

BETA THETA—*Idaho*

Sophomores entertained the chapter delightfully with the annual Christmas dinner, December 17. The table was decorated cleverly with white tapers, white angels of crepe paper, and blue cellophane. The dessert was vanilla ice cream with a blue star in the center. After

dinner, pledges entertained with an appropriate drama, and Santa Claus passed out inexpensive gifts which we exchanged, accompanied with short poems.

For Christmas we received many lovely gifts: an attractive recreation room, completely redecorated by the pledges, hassocks and a record rack from Moscow mothers, furniture for the recreation room from alumnae, money for light fixtures from the corporation board, and candelabra from our house mother.

Our Gypsy dance, January 13, was a gala affair with every one dressed in typical costumes with plenty of jewelry. The room was decorated with playing cards and members' fortunes strewn on the walls. Entrance to the room was through a large ace of spades.

With semester examinations facing us, we are busy burning the midnight oil, the customary quiet and tension broken only by occasional feeds.

ELEANOR AXTELL

28 January 1940

New addresses: Dolores Holmes Benson (Mrs T. K.) Box 1264, Troy, Id.—Helene Haller, c/o Lewiston normal school, Lewiston, Id.—Bernice Brill Lewis (Mrs W. D.) 406 3rd st. Sandpoint, Id.

Married: Helen Parrott to Jacques Henry Ernest Leblanc de Nemours, Oct. 13. Twin Falls, Id. Mr Leblanc de Nemours is a consulting engineer, graduate of Capetown university, South Africa, and M.A. Oxford, England.—Mary Axtell to Prof William H. Bailey, Dec. 27. 242 E. Ohio av. DeLand, Fla.—Dorothy Preuss to Edward Morris Lee, Dec. 28, 1939. Ft. Kamehameha, Honolulu, T.H.—Carol Jean Samm to Paul Redmont, May 6. Box 14, Plummer, Id.

Born: To Mr and Mrs E. A. Stansfield (Josephine Brossard) a daughter, Jo Anne, Jan. 6. 5204 Hampden lane, Bethesda, Md.

BETA IOTA—*Colorado*

A boom to our campus prestige was the abundance of awards, scholastic and activity, which fell on the shoulders of Thetas during the fall and early winter. Jean Amis, sophomore, was awarded a permanent seat throughout her college life on the committee of the Rhythm circus, annual musical review. The appointment is among the most enviable which Colorado campus has to offer. Jean Gillett was initiated January 21 into Alpha Epsilon Delta, pre-medical society, and a week later into Iota Sigma Pi, women's chemical society. Marion Boyle and Dorothy Claus became members of Beta Sigma, club for women majors in

the Business school, based on scholastic achievement. In Y.W.C.A. Leinad Lien and Carolyn Cogdell are president and treasurer, respectively, of the upperclassmen group, and Shirley Buester is social chairman of the freshman group.

Initiation was January 28 for Barbara Anderson (sister of Jean, Phi) Frances Armstrong, Betty Burke, Pat Cameron, Pattie Sue Clement (sister of Margaret Clement Barcus, Alpha Theta) Gwendolyn Crosswhite, Mary Dellinger, Peggy Farrell, Betty Hamm, Nancy Harwood (sister of Alice, Beta Rho) Sue McCament, Pat Sweet (sister of Mary Lou) Nancy Stone, and Joan Turner.

We are proud to announce the pledging of Josephine Pace, Chicago, transfer from the University of Wisconsin.

We are anticipating the visit January 31 of District president Pauline Moore, who will be with us for the celebration of Founders' day, a joint celebration with Beta Gamma and Beta Omega at the Brown Palace hotel in Denver.

MARGARET BEAR

29 January 1940

New addresses: Helen Kauffman Tyler (Mrs C. P.) 6645 Linden rd. Kansas City, Mo.—Thelma Weldon Edwards (Mrs. L. M.) 118 W. Fourth st. Apt. 3, Mt. Carmel, Ill.—Jay Waterfield Brown (Mrs W. T.) 4 Longwood rd. Baltimore, Md.

Married: Mary Feild to Lieut Floyd Hall, Nov. 5. 343 W. Summitt st. San Antonio, Tex.—Ellen Fleming to Robert W. Byerley, Oct. 27, 1939. 1712 2d st. W. Billings, Mont.

Born: To Mr and Mrs Paul Sawyer (Maxine Hartner) a son, Stephen Paul, Dec. 2, 1939.—To Mr and Mrs M. F. Maloney (Eloise Griffin) a daughter, Patricia Arlene, June 20, 1939. 1284 Baretania st. Honolulu, T.H.

BETA KAPPA—*Drake*

Biggest news break is that Theta with an average of 3.575 won the scholarship award for 1938-39—the ninth consecutive year that Drake Thetas have held top honors in scholarship.

The ghost of Yankee Doodle, a major production of the drama department, was produced December 7 to 9 with Phyllis Wilson in an important role.

The annual presentation of *Messiah* was December 10. The contralto soloist was Ruth Meyer. Incidentally, Ruth, aided by Celia Van

Arsdale, is in charge of our numbers for Sweetheart sing, February 14.

Our winter formal, with Harriet Nourse, social chairman, in charge, was December 8 at Wakonda country club. Decorations included pillars of ice, red and silver balloons, a snow man, and a white Christmas tree.

December 11, following chapter tradition, four underprivileged children were entertained at the chapter house at dinner. After dinner the children shared in our Christmas tree and gifts.

Time out for Christmas vacation—a long one this year—and the first dance after the holidays was Panhellenic's "Snow ball" formal at which the chapter was well represented.

Tapped for Theta Sigma Phi were Ruth Jones and Julia Jean Rowe. New Psi Chi (psychology) members are Harriet Nourse and Maxine Rutledge.

Midyear graduation took two seniors, Maxine Rutledge, pledge mistress, and Phyllis Wilson. New pledges are Becky Langfritz, Ottumwa; Anne Sterling, Eagle Grove; Mary Janet Plummer, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Athletically Theta finished tops in the beginner's tennis tourney when Celia Van Arsdale won the women's intramural championship. Theta finished fourth in the intramural swimming meet: the team—Madeline Erickson, Betty Hathorn and Margaret Bump.

Theta's basketball team is in the midst of a hot fight for the intramural championship.

BETTY POSTON

6 February 1940

New addresses: Gertrude Guiney Earl (Mrs C. P.) 313 Sioux st. Sioux City, Ia.—Helen LaShelle Orraca (Mrs. Cosme) 6 Concord st. West Hartford, Conn.—Ruth Cheeseman Bower (Mrs A. J.) 104 W. Division st. Clear Lake, Ia.—Mildred Richmond Easton (Mrs J. E.) 1305½ Smalley av. Muscatine, Ia.

Married: Virginia Cary to C. T. Moreland, June 24. Potomac, Ill.

BETA LAMBDA—*William and Mary*

Beta Lambda is happy to announce the initiation of Beverly Coleman, Eastman, Georgia, December 4.

We were glad to have Anne White back for a short visit over the week-end of December 1. Anne plans to be with us again in February when her sister, Carol, will be initiated.

December 13 the pledges entertained the

chapter with skits and impersonations at a Beta Lambda Christmas party. After the exchange of gifts, we continued the Christmas spirit in a serenade of all fraternity houses on campus.

The annual Christmas ball, given by the president of the college, was on December 15. It was a gala affair at which Thetas were well represented.

A ring for scholarship improvement during the 1939 college session was presented to Kitty Jane Britton at chapter meeting January 8. The custom of giving this award as an incentive to higher scholarship, will continue.

We had a delightful luncheon at Williamsburg lodge to celebrate Founders'-day. Richmond and Norfolk alumnae were also present. Miss Eleanor Dillworth, chairman of Grand convention, was the speaker; her subject was *On to Mackinac*.

Having finished the intramural bridge tournament, we are ready to start practicing for basketball, where we hope to win first place again.

KITTY JANE BRITTON

29 January 1940

New addresses: Florence Brainbridge, 10 Wendell st. Cambridge, Mass.—Helen Perkins Biddle (Mrs William jr.) 250 Austin, West Newton, Mass.—Betty Pratt Wolff (Mrs) Chapman st. Canton, Mass.—Vivienne Brown Mitchell (Mrs J. B.) 19th Field Artillery, Fort Knox, Ky.—Ada Fairfax Stuart, Montross, Va.—Winifred Cory Jobbins (Mrs J. E.) 213 Seaman st. New Brunswick, N.J.—Mary Ribble. 830 Raleigh av. Norfolk, Va.

Married: Marguerite Blackwood to Kerford A. Marchant, Dec. 18. 34 Dellinger av. Batavia, N.Y.—Ernestine Renn to Clinton C. Boyce, June 17. 2600 Glasgow st. Portsmouth, Va.—Anne Hall to George Nea, Jan. 20.

BETA MU—Nevada

Ten names were added to Beta Mu's roll by initiation November 27. They are: Gloria Day, Ann Kirkwood, Molly Morse, Fritz Jane Neddenriep, Jo Ann Record (sister of Marge) Yvonne Rosasco, Annette Sargent, Billie Jean Stinson, Emily Turano and Rita Turano.

Following initiation, Founders'-day banquet was at the Riverside hotel. Speeches were made by Alyce Savage, Kay Devlin, Shirley Fuetsch, Jo Ann Record, Evelyn Reed, Helen Cameron, Mary Arentz, Doris Rice, and Gladys McDonnell. Wilma Jones, president, acted as toast-

mistress. Many charter members of Beta Mu were present.

During the week preceding initiation, we tried an idea suggested by our District president, Mrs Clarke. For the week, all to-be-initiated pledges made beds and did other jobs around the house. We found that this brought pledges much closer to members, and created a fine spirit.

Second semester rushing brought Beta Mu two pledges, Betty Ricker, of Berkeley, California, and Mary Beth Wood, of Reno.

The university chapter of Blue Key recently had a poll by which the entire campus voted to choose the most popular man and woman on campus. We were proud that Betty Cochran, pledge, was voted the most popular woman.

Our winter formal was at the chapter house January 20. The house was decorated in a winter theme with small penguins holding the main interest. Merian Ducker, assistant social chairman, was in charge of arrangements.

We are busy making plans for a visit from Mrs Sinclair, Grand president, who will be in Reno the first part of April. We are happy to know of her decision to visit Beta Mu.

MARJORY GUSEWELLE

1 February 1940

New addresses: Isabelle Loring McAllister (Mrs) Carson City, Nev.—Hazel C. Murray, Arrowhead dr. East Circle, Oakland, Cal.—Sallie Fagan Gould (Mrs B. A.) 2351 18th av. San Francisco, Cal.—Ermine Goodin Savage (Mrs J.) 423 Mill st. Reno, Nev.

Born: To Mr and Mrs W. J. Dickie (Margaret Ede) twins, a boy and a girl, in Jan.

BETA NU—Florida

The weeks before Christmas passed quickly, and almost before we knew it, it was time for the Christmas party. The brightly decorated tree, open fire, and songs lent an atmosphere of the season, which in itself was enough to cheer us. The chapter entertained pledges and guests with an amusing skit. Ten-cent gifts were distributed to all by our noble old St. Nick Miller, and afterwards collected and given to the WPA nursery school. The chapter was presented with many lovely gifts from friends, and resident alumnae gave us a dozen coffee spoons.

We are sorry to lose Nancy Knotts, who is not returning this semester.

After Christmas vacation we re-doubled our scholastic efforts and hope the result will be a higher scholastic average.

The topic of greatest discussion on campus since the holidays has been the weather. Most of the girls have been greatly impressed by icicles on the college fountain, and rather more than impressed when the pool around the fountain froze solid enough to stand upon.

We celebrated Founders'-day January 29 with a banquet at the Floridan hotel. The entire chapter and several *alumnæ* attended. Talks on the lives of the "valiant four" were given by chapter members.

MARTHA BROYLES

1 February 1940

New addresses: Lillian Wood Stearns (Mrs T. W.) 220 N. Maple st. Ames, Ia.—Elizabeth Whalton Little (Mrs R. M.) 4830 Cherokee av. Miami Beach, Fla.—Susan Whalton Roberts (Mrs W. H.) 530 S.W. 29 rd. Miami, Fla.—Evelyn Ballard, 116 Palmetto dr. Miami Springs, Fla.—Lylah Scarborough Barber (Mrs Walter) radio station WOR, New York, N.Y.

Married: Ruth Robie to G. E. Lacy, Dec. 23, 1939. 1926 18th av. S. Nashville, Tenn.—Mary Waller McCormick to Robert Allyn Royster, Sept. 2, 1939. 813 S.E. Riverside dr. Evansville, Ind.—Vernice Davis to Edwin Miller jr. Sept. 8. 921 Bradshaw ter. Orlando, Fla.—Rosemary Bash to Summers Warden. 920 Coral Way, Miami, Fla.

BETA XI—U.C.L.A.

December 13 marks the date of our big Christmas formal with Phi Delta Theta. The dance was a grand celebration of the end of college and the beginning of vacation. Another social event was the Phi Kappa Psi exchange dinner January 10. This too was to celebrate, not a vacation, but the approach of finals.

Our Mothers club and Los Angeles *alumnæ* have each given the house a new dining room table. They were appreciated greatly by the chapter.

We regret that Patsy Bisbee and Anita Hayes have dropped out of college.

We always have had a Fathers' dinner, so this year for the first time we had a Mothers' dinner, too. Every one had such a good time that it will be an annual affair.

A new Life science building has just been completed and is ready for use. A much-needed parking lot has been finished and will soon be opened. A beautiful and valuable collection of oil paintings has been donated to the uni-

versity. It is now on exhibit in the library. One of our most prominent professors, Marvin L. Darsie, Dean of the College of education died recently. He is a great loss to the university.

This semester the house is losing many grand girls. We hate to see them go, and we wish them the best of luck. They are: Virginia Black, Bonnie Ellen Clough, Ellen Doody, Julia Dorn, Kay Howard, Shirley Jean Sutherland, and Betty Thorson.

LUCILE OTIS

29 January 1940

New address: Mildred Crozier Burgess (Mrs C. E. jr.) 5 Undercliff rd. Montclair, N.J.

Married: Marycile White to Richard Fulton Moore, Oct. 27. 42B 59th pl. Long Beach, Cal.

BETA OMICRON—Iowa

Theta thrills and enjoyment at the annual Military ball were increased by pride when Beth Browning was presented her commission as honorary lieutenant-colonel.

On the last evening before the holidays, every one gathered in the living room for a party. Santa Claus, who later was revealed as Betty Kerwin, distributed gifts and each girl read aloud the poem that was attached to her gift by the giver, explaining the appropriateness of the gift and the giver's holiday wishes. The chapter presented the house with silver bread trays.

Beverly Blunk, recent initiate, graduated at the end of first semester. We are sorry to lose her.

Two more pledges have joined our group—Edith Williams, Kenosha, Wisconsin; and Mary Lipton, Ida Grove.

We have been continuing exchange dinners, one each month with one of the thirteen groups on campus. This program is sponsored by Panhellenic and adds to friendships in other houses. We have exchanged with Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Chi Omega and Chi Omega so far.

After the long days of quiet during examination week and the tension of the end of the semester, we all doubly enjoyed the annual Founders'-day banquet at Iowa Memorial union January 29. A number of *alumnæ* from Cedar Rapids, and other places, attended and we were happy to have Mrs Grimm, District president, with us. Ruth Alice Hendricks Hess of Cedar Rapids spoke for *alumnæ* on *Thetas*

everywhere. Helen Margaret Hamilton spoke for the chapter, while Mary Huff, pledge president, represented pledges. Mrs Gilmore, wife of the president of the university, a member of Alpha chapter who had the privilege of knowing Bettie Locke Hamilton, reminisced about Mrs Hamilton and told many interesting facts about Theta's founding. Mrs Gilmore became a member of Phi Beta Kappa in the Theta house at DePauw on the fiftieth anniversary of Phi Beta Kappa entering DePauw.

The alumnae club has invited both chapters and pledges to a tea in Mrs Gilmore's lovely home in February.

After exams the chapter will relax at a Kid party which will have a new theme. Each person will come with a Valentine pinned to his or her costume and be dressed exactly as the picture on the Valentine. The party will be in the chapter house and decorations will carry out the heart theme also.

HELEN MARGARET HAMILTON

31 January 1940

New addresses: Cleo E. Wales, 1503 Pleasant st. Apt. 1, Des Moines, Ia.—Barbara Dodsworth Morrow (Mrs Bruce) 2105 Cottage Grove, Des Moines, Ia.—Maxine Beerman, 617 N. Court st. Ottumwa, Ia.—Rachel Baughman Bastian (Mrs) Fort Dodge, Ia.

Married: Helen Rohrbacker to Vincent L. Adams. 682 S.W. 6th st. Miami, Fla.—Marian Smith to James C. Munro. 1007 E. 2 st. Duluth, Minn.—Maxine Bowie to Reynolds Brown Thomas, Phi Delta Phi, Jan. 3. 1322 1st av. E. Cedar Rapids, Ia.—Marian Hayward to Frank Sample, Oct. 4, 1939. Plattsburg, Mo.

BETA PI—Michigan State

The last week of Fall term found Beta Pi enjoying the annual Christmas party. Grouped around the lighted tree and warm fire, the girls laughed with Santa Claus and little Happy New Year who distributed the many clever but inexpensive presents. Then it was study for finals and home for vacation.

Beta Pi's Mothers club gave us a lovely large mirror for the wall above our mantel. That, with the redecoration of second and third floors, adds greatly to our house.

Winter term brought once more the winter dinner dance on January 13, at the Hotel Olds. Many alumnae were back, which always adds greatly to the enjoyment of the evening.

January 27 brought the annual Founders'-day banquet. Forty-four alumnae from Lansing and surrounding towns attended. Katherine

Kenny Doyle showed slides of Mackinac Island, thus sending the convention fever even higher. Ruth Taylor was awarded the cup given by Lansing alumnae club to the girl who had been most active on campus for the year.

We miss Harriet Beecher, who graduated fall term, and is now vacationing before starting work at Hudson's in Detroit, March 1.

Bowling, swimming, and riflery are the main athletic competitions for winter term. We hope to win the riflery cup for the third time.

We have started a new program, setting aside Wednesday night for faculty guests and Sunday for alumnae guests, which program is giving us much pleasure.

We are proud of Sally Baxter who was chosen as one of the court for the Ice Carnival. She, with the others, will take the snow train to Grayling.

Beta Pi is now anxiously awaiting the initiation of twelve girls February 11.

BETTY ANDERSON

29 January 1940

Married: Helen M. Beardsley to John Clark Maynard, Sept. 7, 1939. 9 College st. Hanover, N.H.—Elizabeth Thompson to Charles J. Halbert, Sept. 7, 1939. 238 W. Dale av. Muskegon, Mich.—Lucile Powrie to Edward R. Kapp jr. Oct. 21, 1939. 727 East st. Flint, Mich.

New addresses: Helen Philleo Weston (Mrs H. T.) 604 Michigan av. Evanston, Ill.—Dorothy Hanigan Holahan (Mrs E. J.) Sheridan, Ind.—Cecile Nichols McMichael (Mrs J. C.) 1128 Cheyenne dr. Cincinnati, O.—Elizabeth Wallace Wilkinson (Mrs C. F. Jr.) 418 N. Division st. Apt. 4, Ann Arbor, Mich.—Beverly Bendall Harmer (Mrs D. M.) 717 Edmundson av. Catonsville, Md.—Jane Stockstill Borgesen (Mrs M. E.) 806 Forest av. Royal Oak, Mich.—Martha Farley Mains (Mrs R. D.) 205 N. Park st. Hinsdale, Ill.—Mary Grover Bissland (Mrs H. R.) Gibbs apt. Los Robles, Tallahassee, Fla.—Irene Farley, 205 N. Park st. Hinsdale, Ill.

Born: To Mr and Mrs M. M. Dexter (Jane Cooper) a son, Maxwell M. jr. Nov. 10, 1939. 8 Academy, Newton, Mass.

BETA RHO—Duke

Beta Rho Thetas are celebrating the end of exams, and are busily occupied with rushing plans. This is the first year that we have had deferred rushing, and since we are limited to four parties we have had to make changes in our rushing technique. We are having a toy party with mechanical toys as favors, a flower party with corsages for our guests, a college party, and our traditional candle light party.

Our rushing is being capably managed by Maxine Chambers while party arrangements are being handled ably by Sarah Chase.

We would like to protest against the propaganda which refers to the south as sunny. We have for the last few weeks been suffering from low temperatures and practically snow-bound to the delight of our Floridian members.

We want to congratulate Jean Wallace, Phi Beta Kappa, who graduates this month; we are sorry to lose her and hope she will visit us often.

A group of the girls are making a recording of Theta songs with the able assistance of Golson Hawkins, Duke student. Mr Hawkins, an accomplished pianist has also consented to make a recording of his excellent arrangement of *Theta lips*.

Intersorority basketball begins this month. Thetas are hoping to regain the championship cup which we held for two years but lost last year.

Community sings, a regular Sunday evening feature at Duke, have twice commanded the service of Thetas. Libby Murray conducted one and Maxine Chambers is presiding over the leap year sing at the end of February.

LOUISE WALTER

29 January 1940

New addresses: Katherine Pittman Smathers (Mrs J. C.) Edgemont apts. Asheville, N.C.—Frances Childs, Int. Bus. Machine Co. 415 N. Charles st. Baltimore, Md.—LaDonia Thomas Myers (Mrs E. R. jr.) 5907 Bellona av. Baltimore, Md.—Peg Bezenburger, 2635 N. Moreland blvd. Cleveland, O.—Jean Browne McCall, c/o Commander R. F. McCall, U. S. Navy Yard, Caville, P.I.

BETA SIGMA—*Southern Methodist*

Just as soon as final exams are over—for which we're cramming vigorously, another mid-term rush week begins. Thanks to our president, Jean Crawford, Panhellenic has instigated informal rushing. Heretofore, we have spent much money and time planning formal parties. We have hopes that this will make it easier on both members and rushees.

The intramural basketball tournament recently ended, and Theta won the cup for second place. We considered this quite a good record and owe most of the credit to pledges.

Speaking of pledges, we certainly appreciated what our pledge class did for us. Right before Christmas they gave us a lovely luncheon

at one of the exclusive hotels. At each initiate's plate was a tiny package which contained a dainty, gold identification bracelet. On one side were engraved our initials—on the other, K A Θ.

Frances Sybert has been initiated into Zeta Phi Eta, speech society.

There has been quite a bit of argument and discussion about what should be done with the \$25 which Dallas alumnae contributed to Beta Sigma. We finally decided to have our silver monogrammed.

Since the opening of college last fall, *Semi-weekly campus*, the university paper, has published the picture of a "Chic-Coed," twice a week. This girl is chosen by a fraternity on basis of her attractiveness and amiability. We were proud to have Martha Proctor selected by Phi Delta Theta as its favorite co-ed.

Our next important social function will be a dinner-dance February 4 at the Baker hotel. Only Thetas and their dates attend. We plan to decorate in the Valentine motive.

MARY ELLEN HAUGHTON

31 January 1940

Married: Virginia Waters to Harry Shuford, Oct. 14, 1939. 1502 W. 13th st. Apt A. Austin, Tex.—Martha Dunman to Charles R. Taylor, Sept. 20, 1939. X Ranch, Novice, Tex.

BETA TAU—*Denison*

Beta Tau revived an interesting tradition this Christmas by serenading all the Theta homes in Granville, the night before vacation. After the carolling, Dot Williams invited the chapter to her home for tea and cookies.

Our annual Christmas party was December 12, and the little white house received a new scrapbook, records, spoons, a double-boiler, and money for magazine binding, among other gifts. It was decided to give a needy family a Christmas dinner and Alice Shepard and Madeleine Rupp were appointed to carry out the plan.

The first big event after vacation was our winter formal January 12. Synthetic snow and icicles carried out the motif in decorations, and we danced to the music of Paul Decker. As favors, wooden cigarette boxes were given our guests.

Sub-zero weather, snow, and exams arrived simultaneously the last two weeks in January. However, Beta Tau came through with

flying colors—all its pledges made their grades for initiation.

The women's Athletic association ushered in the new semester with a gold-diggers' dance January 29. The girls called for their dates, presented them with vegetable corsages, and assumed the financial responsibility for the entire evening.

At our Founders'-day banquet, January 31, eighty actives, pledges, and alumnae met together for a wonderful dinner and an equally wonderful talk by our guest speaker, Mary Rieman Maurer. Mrs Maurer's anecdotes about Bettie Locke Hamilton and the beginnings of the Theta badge proved fascinating to all. Marjorie Merchant, Virginia Martindale, Jenny June Gates, and Dorothy Pritchard of the active chapter presented a skit on the four Founders.

MARY SHINN

31 January 1940

Born: To Mr and Mrs R. F. Diffendorfer (Helen Hess) a son, James Henry, Jan. 16. Vernon av. Ashland, O.

New addresses: Jean Ebaugh Owens (Mrs J. F.) 4137 Willys pkwy. Toledo, O.—Vivian Critchfield Fox (Mrs C. L.) 11 Lewiston rd. Grosse Pointe, Mich.—Wilhelmina Breitenwischer Mackenzie (Mrs E. H.) 8318 16th st. Apt 218, Silver Spring, Md.—Helen Conley Tiedeman (Mrs Nicholas) 813 14th av. Middletown, O.—Lois Champney, Algonquin park, Norfolk, Va.—Louise Wagner Erickson (Mrs R. G.) 720 Rush st. St. Joseph, Mich.

Married: Harret P. Crawford and Jack Widnier, 133 Wisteria dr. Dayton, O.—Jeanne Ireland and J. H. Pigford, 1105 S. 26th st. Birmingham, Ala.—Patricia Blasdel to Richard C. Chapman jr. Dec. 22, 5212 Cornell av. Chicago, Ill.

BETA UPSILON—*British Columbia*

Beta Upsilon climaxed after-Christmas rushing by pledging six girls—Lois Nicholson (daughter of Erna Goetsch Nicholson, Alpha Chi) Eileen Newby, Betty Hamilton, Mary Higgins, Alison Mann, and Mary Venini. The pledges, in addition to their many other pledge duties, have been put to the task of making bandages, part of the chapter's war work.

Founders'-day banquet was a double celebration—Beta Upsilon's tenth anniversary coming on the same day, January 26. Entertainment was provided by pledges, including a song and a skit furnished by their own talent. Our president, Kay Sellens, then presented the scholarship ring to Ray Adamson for having the year's highest average.

Our next social function is the Formal which promises to be a gala affair, on February 2 at the Hotel Vancouver. Mart Kenney will provide the music and the highlight of the evening will be his singer, Georgia Dey's arrangement of *Theta lips*. An invitation has been sent to Alpha Lambda chapter and we hope to have some of the girls present.

The Mothers club has been especially active this year and is taking a lively interest in all our undertakings. They are considering the possibility of a chapter house for next year. As yet there are no women's houses on the campus.

A Panhellenic house party is scheduled for the week-end of February 3, to discuss the present rushing system and to consider any possible changes. A junior, senior, and alumna from each group will attend.

We are assured of a pledge party by the pledges soon, so we await it with great expectations.

MARY BEALE

30 January 1940

New address: Mary Dooley Campbell (Mrs J. K.) 5591 Trafalgar st. Vancouver, B.C., Can.

BETA PHI—*Penn State*

Another new rushing code is awaiting its final test February 7 to 17, when formal rushing, limited to five parties of two hours each, will culminate with a Theta Kite party. A trip around the world—stops in foreign countries for the various courses, and cosmopolitan entertainment from all corners of the earth—all of this will be accomplished in a brief period by the good airplane, "Theta Kite."

Beta Phi will wait with open arms February 18 to pin those black and gold ribbons on another outstanding class. March 2 the pledges will be honored at the annual pledge dinner-dance at the Nittany Lion Inn.

Emma Jennings was the only Beta Phi to receive a degree at mid-year graduation. She is planning to sell real estate in Philadelphia.

Penn State's recently completed, but not yet equipped, library will be given \$30 annually by Beta Phi to be used for reference books. Each book bought from the donation will be marked with a special bookplate signifying that this chapter presented it.

Another Beta Phi project is the redecoration of odd corners throughout the house. Our proudest possession is a Magna Vox radio-vic-

trola in the living room. The upstairs hall will be changed into a cosy corner for those who study late.

Socially we're trying Sunday night suppers as a way to repay our debts to our escorts. The first supper, after Christmas vacation, met with such instantaneous approval on both sides, that we're planning others in the near future. It seems the men even like to help on the clean-up committee.

Founders'-day was celebrated with a short service at the chapter house, during which birthday pennies were contributed for the Friendship fund.

PHYLLIS GORDON

30 January 1940

New addresses: Isabella Muir Trevaskis (Mrs John) Ellwood av. Unity, Pa.—Grace Baer Holderman (Mrs K. L.) 735 N. Orange Grove, Hollywood, Cal.—Janet Bowser Hughes (Mrs E. O.) 898 G st. Hillcrest, Meadville, Pa.

BETA CHI—*Alberta*

The fall term closed for Beta Chi with a Christmas party at the house. The living room was gaily decorated and both actives and alumnae enjoyed themselves as they exchanged gifts.

During the after Christmas rushing season we had a luncheon, and an informal dinner at the house. We were pleased to pledge Lois Barnes and Jeanette Farman, both of Calgary. The service was January 22, and afterwards cake and coffee were served.

January 28, Jacqueline de Palizieux, High River; Barbara Peddlesden, Calgary; and Gwen Williams, Lethbridge, were initiated. Afterwards actives and alumnae had dinner at the Corona hotel.

Founders'-day banquet was at the MacDonald hotel January 29. Winifred Van Kleeck proposed the toast to the alumnae, and it was responded to by Peggy Buchanan. The actives put on a skit, a dramatic version of our song *Eve was the first one*. The alumnae skit, a parody of Red Riding hood was arranged by Doreen Kavanagh and Georgie Smith.

Marion Williams and Marion Cooper took part in *Iolanthe*, presented by the Philharmonic society on January 26, 27, and 29. Agnes McKinnon, pledge, was wardrobe mistress.

PEGGY MURRAY

29 January 1940

Married: Kathleen Beach to W. Lloyd Hutton, Phi

Delta Theta, Dec. 22, 1939. Suite 2, Westerham ct. 1065 Bute st. Vancouver, B.C. Can.

New address: Gay Ross Pryde (Mrs W.) Red Lake, Ont. Can.

BETA PSI—*McGill*

December 16, Beta Psi was proud to initiate five of its pledges: Jane Flexer, Gladys Henry, Myrian Knubley, Jean Norris, and Catherine Spaulding. The initiation banquet was the same evening at the Themis club, where the future of members was foretold in the prophecy by Mavis Barwick.

Our formal dance at the Mount Royal hotel December 9 was a grand success. In keeping with the winter season, our next party will likely take the form of a sleigh drive, sometime this month.

Ruth Paine is helping with the costumes for the Player's club, while Norma Bonter is engaged in planning them for the Red and White Revue. One of our new initiates, Jean Norris, plays on the R.V.C basketball team.

Last week, Sadie Hawkins paid her annual visit to McGill. This is the time when the girls do the dating (and the paying!) for five whole days. There were two main events: Park Slide night when Sadie and her boy friend could whiz down the toboggan slide on the mountain at breakneck speed, and then warm up with dancing in the clubhouse, and the Spinster's Spree where the girls had the privilege of cutting in. The decorations for the latter event were made by the architects, urged on by Cathleen Chard who is one of the two co-eds admitted to that faculty for the first time in the history of McGill. The girls gallantly balanced coffee cups and plates of sandwiches, and helped the boys on and off with their coats, just to show them how it should be done.

There was a tea at the apartment on Founders'-day. We are planning for several more professor's teas. Meanwhile, the weather is simply grand for skiing, and the Laurentian mountains are very popular with McGill students over week-ends.

FLORENCE FLYNN

31 January 1940

BETA OMEGA—*Colorado College*

First, we are happy to announce the pledging of Marianne Bennett, an attractive little brunette from Los Angeles, California. While

talking about pledges, I'd like to say that Theta has never had a more charming, conscientious bunch of pledges. The chapter gave a dance for pledges before Christmas, calling the lodge the KAT kotton klub, with the house completely decorated in black and silver; it was a howling success. Thetas won first place in the judging of Homecoming floats. Our float represented an ethereal scene—with angels hovering over the bier of a defeated Grinnell player, with the slogans "Heaven fun, Grinnell?" and "Halo, Grinnell."

Another event of interest was the Halloween open house that Theta gave for all college girls, from 7 to 9 around the cheery fireplace with the serving of cider and doughnuts. Such an affair helps to foster goodwill and friendship between all college girls, a precedent which we hope to follow in coming years.

Since Christmas, things have been quiet, with term papers to write and finals to study for, but finals end this week, so the week-end will start things on the up-swing again. We are having the Theta Founders'-day banquet and dance at the Brown Palace hotel in Denver February 2, with Beta Gamma and Beta Iota chapters. We are honored particularly at this time to have Mrs Moore, District president, as honor guest. She will then come to be Beta Omega's special guest. February 7-9.

SHIRLEY WRIGHT

28 January 1940

Married: Jessie de Bordenave to Gardner Pratt. 130 Appleton, Cambridge, Mass.—Marybel Poer to Dr Robert Crossland, Aug. 9, 1939. 2511 Beverly av. Santa Monica, Cal.—Kathryn Lila MacLean to Fredrick Wilmot Nichols, Dec. 23, 1939. 1336 W. Abrendio, Pueblo, Col.

GAMMA GAMMA—*Rollins*

Out of the chaos of vigorously wielded dust cloths, of curtains being sent to the laundry of floors bared of rugs which are getting their share at the cleaners, we Thetas are hoping to produce a dirtless, spotless, and peerless house for our Open house this Sunday. Come Sunday morning and we will be busy preparing the punch and sandwiches which will be served. We will also be showing off proudly a new pledge, Laura Mae Ripley of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

This week the initiates-to-be are invoking their poetic muses in order that the members

may be awakened daily to the soothing phrases of lyric poetry (original).

The Thetas came through the basketball intramurals with a 100% record. Gloria Young was runner-up in the girls' collegiate tennis tournament; and to prove that we have no Princes of Wales, Thetas captured all the blue and most of the red ribbons in the college horse show. At the present, Thetas are returning to the Spartan life again in hopes of being in condition for the hockey team.

Anne Clarke will appear in the college production of *You can't take it with you*, and if she lives up to the award which was given her in the intramural plays her performance will be laudable, to say the least.

We celebrated Founders'-day, and are looking forward to initiation when we will welcome some fine additions to Gamma Gamma.

JANET JONES

31 January 1940

GAMMA DELTA—*Georgia*

January 2 we Gamma Deltas dragged wearily into the Theta house after a wonderful Christmas vacation. No sooner were we unpacked than classes began and we were back into the routine once more.

Alice Ruth Miller and Audrey Evans came back with diamond rings, and they weren't the presents of Santa Claus, either.

We don't want to gloat, but on Founders'-day we are initiating fifteen of the grandest girls you ever saw. This is a record for Gamma Delta. Invitations have been sent out, for initiation and the banquet, to all of our alumnae in the form of a three page chapter newspaper. The girls being initiated are: Jeanne Bulger, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Myrtice Draughon and Jean Hipson, Savannah; Jane Ball, Lillabel Hill, Shirley Jones (sister of Margaret, Alpha Mu) Atlanta; Frances Howell, Athens; Marcia McGarity (sister of Janet, Gamma Delta) Cairo; Betty Mitchell, Cusseta; Emily Sale, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Margie Spangler, Miriam Luther, Griffin; Libby Spencer, Daytona Beach, Florida; Isabel Shockley, Monroe; and Cherie West, Thomson.

We have pledged two new girls: Myrtice Draughon and Dot Rhodes, Stone Mountain. New promisees are Caroline Kaupman,

Savannah; Marion Rogers, Atlanta; and Betty Morris, Hartwell.

Frances Johnson has been elected treasurer of sophomore class.

This quarter the house has more girls in it than ever before, with only one bed left for week-end visitors.

MARION STEGEMAN

30 January 1940

Married: Anita Howard to William Perry. Nashville, Ga.—Billie Blackwell to James Baker Jones, Jan. 11. 2612 Toluge dr. Miami, Fla.

GAMMA EPSILON—*Western Ontario*

Gamma Epsilon's formal brought Thetas crowding back to London and the Hunt club December 10, for the gayest reunion of the year—though more and more of the "best beaus" are in uniform. It was the last party for seven new initiates who entered hospital training the middle of January. Marion Chesham "lone-wolfed" it down to Montreal's Royal Victoria hospital where McGill Thetas are looking out for her as well as her sister Evelyn, also a member of Gamma Epsilon chapter. At Victoria hospital in London are Carol Stevens, Dorothy Irwin, Beth Ruttle, Helen Wilson, Aileen Lyon and Jo McWilliams, who will be

seeing much of our Frances Powell.

They managed to get off duty for Founders'-day supper party at the chapter house, however, when actives and graduates united in honoring the memory of those who founded Theta. And they'll be on hand for rushing week parties which start February 11—and promise everything from Valentine to Royal Canadian Air Force motifs.

Sub-prefect Doris Eagles has another feather in her cap—chosen to represent the university in a nation-wide advertising campaign in all Canadian magazines—which may lead to professional modelling after graduation. Just another step up for Gamma Epsilon's cheer-leader, former chapter president, leading co-ed at Western.

We are also proud of Barbara Knowles, who passed her Registered nurse examinations this year. Barbara was in training at Royal Victoria hospital in Montreal and at St. Joseph's hospital, London.

Dorothy Maclean, last year's treasurer is also starring at the University of Western Ontario where she is in charge of badminton. Good work, Dor!

GWYNNETH MARTIN

26 January 1940

WHERE ARE THEY?

Where are what? The news letters of—

Lambda

Omicron

Tau

Beta Beta

Alumnæ, several hundred strong, will ask "Where are they?" The editor can reply only, "I do not know." Who can supply the answers and the reasons?

Endowment Roll Call

December 1, 1939 to February 1, 1940

ALPHA

Arnett, Ethel McKinstrey (Mrs A. C.)
Colvert, Louise
Jeschke, Doris Campbell (Mrs W. G.)
Piper, Frances Brian (Mrs C. C.)

BETA

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Myers, Maude Showers (Mrs B. D.)

GAMMA

Field, Margaret Higbee (Mrs R. H.)
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Young, Nelle Ryan (Mrs C. C.)

DELTA

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Warren, Katherine Kemp (Mrs D. M.)

ETA

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IOTA

Beckley, Betty
Bentley, Dorothea
Brunton, Alice Guttman (Mrs R. T.)

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Dyer, Meredith
Gleissner, Katherine
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Neal, Alice
Ritchie, Alice Team (Mrs Chas.)
Seaman, Nell Thomason (Mrs R. W.)

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Watson, Ruby Howe (Mrs P. K.)

MU

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OMICRON

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RHO

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Hahn, Sylvia
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